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September 5, 1945

John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

KURT MERTIG, with aliases
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For your further information and for the completion of your files in connection with the above case I am enclosing a copy of a letter dated June 24, 1945 from Kurt Mertig to Congressman John Edward Sheridan of the Committee on Military Affairs, House of Representatives.

Enclosure

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Honorable Emanuel Celler
House of Representatives
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Dear Mannie:

I have received your letter of July 18, 1945, enclosing the communication from Kurt Mertig of 317 East 54th Street, New York City, to Congressman Sheridan of Pennsylvania, and you may rest assured that this matter is receiving appropriate consideration.

I desire to express my appreciation for your courtesy in calling this matter to my attention.

With expressions of my highest esteem and best regards.

Sincerely yours,

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New York, July 18, 1945

Hon. J. E. Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Edgar:

Congressman Sheridan of Pennsylvania has sent me the enclosed copy of a letter received from Mr. Kurt Mertig of 317 East 54th St., New York.

I think if you looked into this, we would get much quicker results, if needed, than turning it over to Rankin.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Emanuel

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Committee on Military Affairs
House of Representatives
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Gentlemen:- Att. Congressman John Edward Sheridan

During the past twelve years the Roosevelt administration has been instrumental in every conceivable way in furthering the cause of the foreign relatives and co-religionists of some four Million Jewish American citizens - giving them financial, political and economic success, and, as an end product, has expended the lives and limbs of hundreds of thousands of American soldiers besides the concomitant suffering of their American families.-

What have we done in Europe since V E Day to restore order and "make the world safe for the Four Freedoms" ? - We act like the little boy who broke up a watch and then had not the faintest idea how to get it running again. We have not even made an attempt to restore postal, telegraph and phone service, traffic or trade in Defeated Germany - a very obvious prerequisite for reconstruction.- In short, we have so far made a terrible mess since V E Day ! -

And voluble arguments by such experts" as Henry Morgenthau, Bernard M. Baruch as well as such stooges as Lee E. Crowley, Foreign Economic Administrator and others on U S government payroll, are being so persistently and so cunningly put forward over the radio - and in the editorial columns and the doctored "news" of the large Jewish controlled majority of American newspapers - that the control, by persons of German descent, of all German trade and industry must either be utterly destroyed, or turned over very"patriotically" to "American" capital.-

This policy of senseless and revengeful destruction neither represents American traditions nor serves the best interests of this Republic. It will only drag the white race down to its final doom ! -

The many thousands of young American soldiers of German stock who served on the Western front were told that only the Nazi regime was to be driven out; and that nothing was held against the German people - but many of these soldiers, whose final resting place has turned out to be a grave in the foreign soil of Europe, would turn in their graves, if they could see what right now is being done over there to German women and children, to the war maimed and the aged.-

There are, however, in the United States 25 to 30 Millions of American citizens of German descent, who, no less than those now dead and gone soldiers, are profoundly interested in the welfare of their relatives abroad, who, from hunger and disease are now suffering pains and anxieties utterly unknown in this country.-

This large German ancestry contingent of our American citizenry does not yield to any other nationality or group making up the American Amalgam, any slightest admission that its loyalty to this Republic, and to its institutions is in any degree less than that of anyone else.-

The American citizens of German stock do not intend idly by to see millions of their kinfolk in Germany cruel death by starvation right now, or freeze to death during the coming winter.-

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The very least they have a right to-insist upon right now is that immediate measures be adopted by our American occupational forces:

1) to re-instate postal, telegraph and telephone service, transportation and marketing of food etc. supplies in our occupied zone of Germany;

2) to permit American citizens to use the mail for sending food packages, clothing and money to their suffering relatives in Germany;

3) to use our influence in the not yet operative Central Control Commission, in Berlin, to make such facilities also available for the parts of Germany occupied by the British, French and Russians.-

All self-respecting American citizens of German descent undoubtedly wish to serve notice on our present Administratio that the German-American vote is going to make itself felt in the coming elections, for the strengthening of the basi principles which all of us are proud to call American - the very opposite of the policy now being pursued.-

Respectfully submitted,

German-American Republican League
of Greater New York

Kurt Mertig

Kurt Mertig
Acting Chairman

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October 3, 1945

Honorable Harley M. Kilgore
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator:

I have received your letter of September 25, 1945, enclosing a letter from Kurt Mertig of 317 East 54th Street, New York City.

I desire to express my appreciation for your courtesy in calling this matter to my attention.

With expressions of my highest esteem and best regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AFFAIRS

Subcommittee on War Mobilization

September 25, 1945

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I thought the enclosed would be of interest to you. Apparently, I am one of a number of recipients of this letter.

Very truly yours,

H M Kilgore

H. M. Kilgore
Chairman

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New York, N.Y.
July 8, 1945.

Hon. Harley M.Kilgore
U. S. Senator of West Virginia
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator:-

For more than two months -- ever since V E Day -- 30 million American citizens of German ancestry have been manifesting a typical German attitude of patience and silent submission toward the officials put in charge of bringing order out of chaos in Europe.-

This patience and endurance is all the more notable since for twelve long years past they have been injured and humiliated and conspired against by an impudent but cunningly entrenched one fortieth minority of our population which imagines that by reason of its control over our newspapers and other informative agencies it will be able to induce the Allied nations to restore to them the wealth which prior to the second world war the German government took away from their race on the ground that this race itself had originally taken that wealth from the German people by extortion and usury.-

Recognizing that the main obstacle to this recovery by them of their ill-gotten plunder is to be found in the voting power which, after all, cannot be taken away from our American citizens of German ancestry, this one fortieth minority laid its plans years ago and commenced by subjecting its fellow-citizens of German ancestry to an illegal boycott; and is now carrying its campaign to the point of howling for the utter extirpation of the German race amid a chaos and confusion such as the world has never previously witnessed.-

In the face of this latest development the 30 million American citizens of German ancestry are at last coming to the conclusion that patience has long since ceased to be a virtue, and are deciding that they will be patient no more -- that they will be silent and inactive no more -- that they will be racially and politically disunited no more -- but that, on the contrary, they will now take steps in common to use in common -- and for the common and general welfare of these United States -- the political and commercial power which, as a matter of fact, they still possess, in the United States, in far greater quantity than even the Jew has yet accumulated -- and in infinitely greater goodness of intention than at the present outlook is inspiring the Jew in his use of the power which he does possess.-

In taking this course, our citizens of German ancestry are actuated not only by the instinct of individual self- preservation, but also by a desire to preserve from ruin this great Republic to whose enlargement and enrichment and advancement undeniably notable contributions have been made, from the very founding of the Republic, by previous American citizens of German ancestry or German birth; and from this point of view, they consider that they are entitled to receive commendation rather than censure when they demand the immediate putting into operation of the following program:

1) Restoration of postal service with Germany -- to the end that food packages, clothing and money can at once be sent to Germany, through the mails, by any and all persons sufficiently humane to do so, whether or no [illegible] 1945

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2) Encouragement and assistance of the German people to resume all occupation necessary to the supplying of themselves and their families not only with the necessaries of life, but also with those adornments of life which, as accessories to the human existence, contribute so greatly to the happiness of individuals, in accordance with their individual taste, and also render essential contribution to the maximum prosperity of commerce and finance;

3) That the Government of the United States shall use its full power and influence toward the inducing of each and all of the United Nations to cease and desist from the infamous program and policy embodied in the plans and plots and proposals which at present are being put forward by international Jewry, as a preliminary to the final and culminating success of its eagerly pursued design for world domination -- the program and policy of sending demobilized prisoners of war and ex-soldiers of Germany away from their fatherland, where they would otherwise be able to protect their families from the industrial andsex slavery practiced against them in former years by this same international Jewry, and consigning these capable men to hopeless slavery for indefinite periods of separation from those wives, from whom, by express command of God Almighty himself, they may not rightfully "be put asunder",-

The above three part program should be carried out promptly and without any further tolerance whatsoever of continued delay or other interference by Jewish chicanery with the purposes and interests of the United States, even though such interference be perpetrated in the name of Bernard M. Baruch, Sam I. Rosenman, Herbert H. Lehman, or any other mediocrity, built up and publicised, by the Jew-controlled press of our country as paragons of ability and virtue -- May God forgive our stupidity in swallowing such traitorously subsidized propaganda ! -

Respectfully submitted,

CITIZENS' PROTECTIVE LEAGUE

Kurt Mertig

Kurt Mertig
chairman

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SAC, New York

November 23, 1945

John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

KURT MERTIG, with aliases
INTERNAL SECURITY - G

Reference is made to previous memoranda concerning the procurement from the Treasury Department of uncertified photostatic copies of the income tax returns of the above subject for the years 1940 to 1944.

Copies of such tax returns were requested of the Treasury Department by the Bureau under the name of Kurt Mertig and under the names of the Citizens' Protective League and the German-American Republican League of New York City, which organizations Mertig has used in the past as a front, under all known addresses. The Treasury Department has now advised that the records of the Bureau of Internal Revenue for the Third Internal Revenue Collection District of New York failed to disclose that any income tax returns were filed in any of the above-mentioned names for the years 1940 to 1944 inclusive.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: November 23, 1945

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: KURT MERTIG
INTERNAL SECURITY - G

In connection with the current involuntary repatriation program of the Department, it is noted that the above-named individual furnished Bureau Agents with a list of persons who had applied for repatriation in 1942. Many of the persons on the list were interned or were placed on parole but some have been released outright. In view of the recent order taking persons off parole, there are now two categories of aliens, namely, internees and all others. The involuntary repatriation program concerns itself only with internees so far as has been observed and in view of the fact that individuals on KURT MERTIG's list have applied for repatriation in thepast, it is believed the Department may desire to consider these persons for repatriation at the present time in order that their previous desire may be complied with. This matter is bringing brought to the Bureau's attention for such action as it is deemed advisable.

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SAC, New York

December 3, 1945

John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

KURT MERTIG, with aliases
INTERNAL SECURITY - G

A review of the Bureau's files reflects that the last report submitted by your office in the above case was the pending report of Special Agent Harry D. O'Neill dated July 17, 1945.

It is desired that a supplemental report be prepared and forwarded to the Bureau, bringing this investigation up to date within the near future.

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Mr. C. E. Rhetts
Acting Head, War Division
John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

December 12, 1945

GERMAN ALIENS WHO HAVE REQUESTED REPATRIATION
ALIEN ENEMY CONTROL

For your information and possible interest, your attention is directed to the report of Special Agent Richard A. Johnson, dated November 2, 1942, at New York, New York, entitled "Kurt Mertig, Internal Security - G", a copy of which was transmitted to the Division of Records on April 12, 1943. This report contains on pages from two to seventeen the names of German aliens who requested repatriation prior to Pearl Harbor.

This information is being forwarded for your attention in view of the fact that some of these individuals were paroled and released prior to the Presidential Proclamation of July 15, 1945, ordering dangerous alien enemies deported.

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SAC, New York

February 25, 1946

John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

KURT MERTIG, was
INTERNAL SECURITY - G

Your attention is directed to Bureau letter dated December 3, 1945.

A review of the Bureau files fails to reflect that any report has been submitted by your office in this case since the report of Special Agent Harry D. O'Neill dated July 17, 1945. It is desired that a supplemental report be prepared and forwarded to the Bureau bringing this investigation up to date within the near future.

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TITLE	CHARACTER OF CASE
KURT MERTIG	SECURITY MATTER - G; DENATURALIZATION PROCEEDINGS - G; REGISTRATION ACT; SEDITION

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject arrested 10/6/45 in NYC for unlawful assembly in connection with street corner speech. Complaint made by officials of Jewish War Veterans who stated anti-Semetic remarks of subject and his associates HOMER MAERTZ and ERNEST ELMHURST, were of such nature as to constitute disturbance of the peace. MERTIG, MAERTZ and ELMHURST convicted 1/10/46 and on 2/14/46 all three defendant sentenced to 6 months in prison. USA, SDNY declines prosecution.

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Report of Special Agent Harry D. O'Neill, New York City, 7/17/45.

DETAILS:

In view of the fact that the subject was arrested on October 6, 1945 in Middle Village, Queens, New York, for unlawful assembly, rising out of speech making proclivities of subject, Mr. JAMES H. KEEGAN, Probation Officer of the Court of Special Sessions, Queens, New York, was contacted for information in the matter. He advised that on October 6, 1945 the subject together with one HOMER MAERTZ and ERNEST ELMHURST, conducted a street corner rally in Middle Village, Queens, New York. All three defendants during the rally addressed an assembled group at one time or another. In the speech to the group MERTIG and his associates made anti-Semetic remarks and inferred that the Jewish people in particular were responsible for World War II. At this point Mr. ISADORE GINSBERG, State Commander

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of the Jewish War Veterans made a complaint to the local police and the subject and his associates were arrested upon the charge of unlawful assembly. On January 10, 1946 the subject and his associates were convicted in the Court of Special Sessions, Queens, New York, upon a charge ofunlawful assembly and on February 14, 1946 the three were sentenced to six months imprisonment in the City Prison. Mr. GLEASON related that Justices FREDERICK L. HACKENBURG, GEORGE B. DeLUCA and HENRY H. NIAN of the sentencing court were unfavorably impressed with the past records of the three defendants. In particular it maybe recalled that ELMHURST recently received unfavorable publicity arising out of his status as a co-defendant in the recent Sedition case in Washington, D. C. MERTIG for a number of years past has likewise been engaged in intemperate, and anti-Semitic, anti-Government statements. Similarly MAERTZ has been engaged in activities of a comparable nature according to the same source.

By letter dated November 23, 1945 the Bureau advised that the records of the Bureau of Internal Revenue for the Third Internal Revenue Collection District of New York failed to disclose any income tax returns were filed by the subject in the years 1940 to 1944 inclusive. At this point it should be noted that in referenced report it is reflected that on January 18, 1941 the subject in procuring a loan from the Manufactures Trust Company, 711 Lexington Avenue, New York City, he stated his salary to be $1,500 per year.

By Bureau letter, dated September 5, 1945, the Bureau transmitted a copy of a letter of the subject to Congressman JOHN EDWARD SHERIDAN of the Committee on Military Affairs, House of Representatives. This letter it should be noted was identical with the letter of the subject appearing in the referenced report as furnished by Confidential Informant T-2 of that report and indicates to some degree the propagandistic activities of the subject. During the recent past the subject has been engaging in spasmodic attempts to revive his defunct Citizens' Protective League. To date his efforts along these lines have met with negative results according to local police officials.

The facts of this case were discussed with Mr. THOMAS DONLAN, Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York who declined prosecution. b7D

A review of the history and activities of the subject reflects active investigation has been conducted upon MERTIG since 1941 without developing any evidence of subversive or un-American activities. The consensus of opinion among reliable persons interviewed was that the subject was a busy-body desirous of attracting publicity. In fact, Confidential Informant [redacted] whose identity is know to the Bureau advised that the abilities of MERTIG were commensurate with the position of a grocery clerk in the opinion of the local German Consulate.

Other informants, including [redacted] whose identities are known to the Bureau, and others, corroborated such views, stating that the subject was an extremist, particularly regarding German matters. Some characterized the subject as being too stupid to engage in un-American activities.

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Some reputable businessmen in Yorkville, including HANS YAGER, and others, corroborated this viewpoint.

A review of the subject's past financial history reflects that he has been constantly in debt and at the present time is financially embarrassed. He now lives in a $14.00 a month cold water flat, and devotes the principal part of his time to selling newspaper subscriptions.

Inasmuch as subject is presently incarcerated in prison, and since investigation has failed to reflect evidence of illegal activities, this case is accordingly being placed in a closed status.

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STANDARD FORM No. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: March 13, 1946

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: KURT MERTIG
SECURITY MATTER - G; DENATURALIZATION
PROCEEDINGS - G; REGISTRATION ACT; SEDITION
(Bureau File #~~62-20553~~)

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent Harry D. O'Neill, dated March 13, 1946 at New York, New York, five copies of which are enclosed herewith, in the captioned matter.

Information reflected therein reveals that the subject apparently has not filed any income tax returns for the years 1940 to 1944 inclusive despite the fact that in June 1941 he stated in connection with the obtainment of a loan from the Manufacturers Trust Company, New York City, that his yearly salary was $1,500 per year.

It is believed that the Bureau might care to transmit this information to interested officials of the Internal Revenue Department.

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CONFIDENTIAL
BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

Date: May 27, 1946

To: Chief of Naval Intelligence
Navy Department
Washington, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: KURT MERTIG

For your information and possible interest there is being transmitted herewith a copy of the report of Special Agent Harry D. O'Neill dated March 13, 1946, at New York, New York, concerning the activities of Kurt Mertig who was arrested during October of 1945 in New York City for unlawful assembly in connection with street corner speeches.

Enclosure

cc - Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
War Department
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Reading Panel
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Director, FBI

KURT MERTIG
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REGISTRATION ACT; SEDITION

For your information and possible interest there is being transmitted herewith a copy of the report of Special Agent Harry D. O'Neill dated March 13, 1946, at New York, New York, concerning the activities of Kurt Mertig who was arrested during October of 1945 in New York City for unlawful assembly in connection with street corner speeches.

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

EX-10

Honorable Joseph D. Nunan
Commissioner
Bureau of Internal Revenue
Treasury Department
Washington, D. C.

Re: KURT MERTIG
Your Reference IT:Rec:IN:P:AHN

My dear Commissioner:

Your attention is directed to a letter dated August 21, 1945, from the Attorney General which was addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury in connection with an official investigation which was being conducted by this Bureau and which letter requested uncertified photostatic copies of the income tax returns for the years 1940 to 1944, inclusive, of Mr. Kurt Mertig, the Citizens Protective League, and the German-American Republican League of New York City.

You stated that the records of your Bureau for the Third Internal Revenue Collection District of New York do not disclose income tax returns filed under any of the above-mentioned names for the years 1940 to 1944, inclusive.

A review of Mertig's past financial history reflects that Mertig has been constantly in debt and at the present time is considered financially embarrassed. He is now known to live at 317 East 54th Street, New York City, in a $14.00 a month cold water flat, and devotes the principal part of his time to selling newspaper subscriptions.

[redacted] New York, recently advised this Bureau that Mertig considers himself to be the Chairman of the Citizens Protective League and that he has knowledge that this League has no officers, no by-laws, and no members, and it appears to be only a one-man money-making business although Mertig has created the impression that this League is a large and regularly organized group. This individual has stated that under the name of the Citizens Protective League Mertig organized a unit among the German internees on Ellis Island, New York, and it has been stated that nearly 100 internees joined this unit in good faith expecting regular legal assistance from Mertig and paid for his services through their spokesman, who is stated to have been a Mr. Heinrich Rehse (phonetic) and that possibly a $50 fee was charged each individual. Mertig is stated to have promised certain legal

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help although he is not known to be a practicing attorney. [redacted] stated that to his knowledge Mertig is not known to have paid any taxes on this income if income taxes were ever filed by him. [redacted] also stated that one of Mertig's closest friends, a Mr. Eugene Brand, a newspaper peddler of 200 East 86th Street, New York City, seemed to be in on some kind of a racket with Mertig.

This information is furnished you for whatever purposes you desire.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Brooklyn 8, New York

Dear Mr. [redacted]:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your communication with enclosure dated April 18, 1946, which has been made a part of the official files of this Bureau.

Your interest and courtesy in writing to me are indeed appreciated. I assure you this matter will be given appropriate consideration.

In the event you receive additional information which you believe to be of interest to this Bureau, please feel free to communicate with the Special Agent in Charge of our New York Field Division located at 234 U. S. Court House Building, Foley Square, New York 7, New York.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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United States Dept. of Justice
and Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

The writer of this, just in a desire to be helpful, wishes to report the following:

A certain Mr. Kurt Mertig, of 317 East 54th St., New York City, 22, was sentenced, in the Queens County Court, New York, on February 28, 1946, to 6 months in the work house and is at the present time serving his term on Rikers Island Penitentiary, N. Y.

This Mr. Kurt Mertig calls himself the Chairman of the "Citicens Protective League."

To all appearances and after all my attempts to find out, I came to the conclusion, that this "Citicens Protective League" has no president; no secretary; no treasurer; no by-laws; and no members! It appears to be only a one man's money making business. Yet, he went on calling meetings, in which he repeatedly mentioned the "Citicens Protective League", as if that were some large and regular organization.

Under the name of this "Citicens Protective League" he organised a unit among the german internees on Ellis Island, N. Y. As I understand, over 100 internees joined this unit in good faith, and expected regular legal assistance from this Mr. Kurt Mertig. These internees paid him, through their "spokesman", (a certain Mr. Heinrich Rehse, or Reese, or Rese) $50,- each at least. The total amount is said to be between $5000,- and $10,000,-, for which he promised certain legal help, although he is not a lawyer at all. To my knowledge, no accounting was ever done about the expenditures of this money,. Another $1000,- was paid him by some lady, whom he had promised "legal help". It seems to be a racket! -

I do not belive that he paid any taxes on this income, or ever mentioned it in his tax report. -

One of Kurt Mertig's closest friends, a certain Mr. Eugene Brand, a newspaper peddler, of 200 East 86th Street, New York City, 28, seems to be "in" on this racket, to all appearances; and he is said to collect money through his customers.

This Mr. Eugene Brand and his wife, Mrs. Ine Brand, are said to collect money from their customers and this money is sent to German soldier prisoners of war in the United States! Many people are suspecting strongly, that the Brand's put a good part of this money into their own pockets, aside from the fact, that it is illegal to collect such money for prisoners of war.

Please keep this confidential.

Yours very truly,

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CITIZENS' PROTECTIVE LEAGUE
KURT MERTIG, *Chairman*
317 East 54th Street
New York 22, N. Y.

I am prepared to unite with other like-minded Americans in defense of the hard won and now endangered basic principles of American Freedom.

(Please print name) *Address* *City* *State*

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Assistant Attorney General T. L. Caudle

October 3, 1946

Director, FBI

KURT MERTIG
Internal Security - G

In addition to data previously furnished you, this Bureau is now in receipt of information to the effect that Mertig, as Chairman of the Citizens' Protective League, 317 East 54th Street, New York City, on September 30, 1946, sent a telegram to the International Military Tribunal, Nuremberg, Germany, with copies to President Truman, the Associated Press and the International News Service. This telegram read as follows:

> "If you condemn to death the twenty-two accused men, you should give a hundred-fold death on the gallows such conspirators against the people like Winston Churchill, Henry Morgenthau, Bernard Baruch, Samuel Rosenman and others responsible for the death and maiming of millions of non-combatants by allied bombing without military necessity and starving and freezing to death, a year and one-half after cessation of hostilities of millions of innocent women and children by keeping in force that infamous Morgenthau murder plan and Potsdam agreement."

As you have been previously advised in reports concerning Mertig, the Citizens' Protective League, of which he claims to be Chairman, is a practically nonexistent organization and is utilized as a device for obtaini funds by Mertig.

Mertig is considered a perennial critic of any policy of the United States adversely affecting Germany and, as you will recall, he recently received a prison sentence on a disorderly conduct charge arising out of his anti-Semitic speeches. He has practically no influence or following.

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DIRECTOR URGENT

KURT MERTIG, IS G. SUBJECT, AS "CHAIRMAN, CITIZENS PROTECTIVE LEAGUE", THREE ONE SEVEN EAST FIFTYFOURTH STREET, NYC, TODAY SENT THE FOLLOWING TELEGRAM TO INTERNATIONAL MILITARY TRIBUNAL, NUREMBERG, GERMANY, WITH COPIES TO PRESIDENT TRUMAN, ASSOCIATED PRESS, UNITED PRESS, AND INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE.. "IF YOU CONDEMN TO DEATH THE TWENTYTWO ACCUSED MEN, YOU SHOULD GIVE A HUNDRED FOLD DEATH ON THE GALLOWS SUCH CONSPIRATORS AGAINST THE PEOPLE LIKE WINSTON CHURCHILL, HENRY MORGANTHAU, BERNARD BARUCH, SAMUEL ROSENMAN AND OTHERS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DEATH AND MAIMING OF MILLIONS OF NON-COMBATANTS BY ALLIED BOMBING WITHOUT MILITARY NECESSITY AND STARVING AND FREEZING TO DEATH, A YEAR AND ONE-HALF AFTER CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES OF MILLIONS OF INNOCENT WOMEN AND CHILDREN BY KEEPING IN FORCE THAT INFAMOUS MORGANTHAU MURDER PLAN AND POTSDAM AGREEMENT." AS THE BUREAU IS AWARE, THE CITIZENS PROTECTIVE LEAGUE IS PRACTICALLY NON-EXISTENT ORGANIZATION AND IS UTILIZED AS DEVICE FOR OBTAINING FUNDS BY SUBJECT. LATTER IS PERENNIAL CRITIC OF ANY POLICY ADVERSELY AFFECTING GERMANY, AND RECENTLY RECEIVED A PRISON SENTENCE ON A DISORDERLY CONDUCT CHARGE ARISING OUT OF HIS ANTI-SEMITIC SPEECHES. HE HAS PRACTICALLY NO INFLUENCE OR FOLLOWING. THE ABOVE IS FURNISHED FOR THE INFO OF THE BUREAU.

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German-American Republican League

of Greater New York

FOUNDED IN 1936

KURT MERTIG, CHAIRMAN

NEW YORK, N. Y.,
317 EAST 54TH STREET

September 26, 1946.

Hon. Harry S. Truman
President of the United States
White House
Washington, D. C.

Mr. President:-

It was on your authority that Hon. Robert F. Jackson was taken off the U. S. Supreme Court bench - where he, a New York up-state country lawyer without even a formal legal degree, upon his discovery by the New Dealer Judge Samuel I Rosenman was put by F. D. Roosevelt - to become a Nazi prosecutor under a juridical theory of collective guilt, alien to the American concept of the rights and dignity of the individual man. -

It is therefore you, Mr. President, to whom we appeal to prevent consummation of this planned lynching-bee and to condemn this totally un-American, unconstitutional mongrel "trial" at Nuremberg.

Congress has not done so much as to debate the Jackson-conducted Nuremberg "trial" and has not voted the funds for it. -

For ten long months, Hon. Robert F. Jackson has been prejudicing the cause of the twenty-two accused German businessmen and German officials at Nuremberg by referring to them constantly as "war criminals and the kept press has been echoing all of Mr. Jackson's absurdities, -

Now the "Daily Worker" and other communist and Jewish publications burst forth in a chorus "World Wants Hanging Verdict at Nuremberg", just as about 1900 years ago the mob at Jerusalem howled "Crucify him".

Mr. Jackson pretends in his summation to "charge" the twenty-two prisoners with "conspiracy to wage aggressive war".-

We wish to remind you, Mr. President, that

1) Conspiracy against peace can safely be laid to Roosevelt and Churchill;

2) Just prior to Pearl Harbor, the Gallup polls showed 83 % of America was against active participation in this last war;

3) U. S. Army Air Forces went on their own account to Europe, used blockbursters, rockets and any other life-destroying device to kill wholesale German non-combattants and to wantonly destroy cities, towns and villages of a nation who had done no harm to us whatever. America transgressed devastation to a degree heretofore unknown in history and [illegible] justified by military necessity;

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4) America is equally guilty - of what she accuses Germany
a) deportation for slave labor;
b) murder and ill-treatment of prisoners of war;
c) systematically starving to death civilians;
d) plunder of private and public property.

In fact, the United States and its allies are doing this still to-day, eighteen months after fighting stopped, while the record shows that the Germans have never carried on war by other means, after the fighting stopped. On the contrary, they have always helped to heal the wounds of war. They have never shown the vindictiveness of the Slavs, the Latins, the Pan-Britons or the Americans.-

Now as to the Jackson-conducted "International Military Tribunal" at Nuremberg, it cannot be denied that under the originally established rules of action among the peoples of Europe, it has neither standing in International Law nor in American Civil Law nor in American Military Court Martial Rules.

It is hokum when Mr. Jackson invents the phrase:

> "Whatever the state of international law has been in the past about the crime of making war, it is a crime now. When the representatives of this country, Britain, France and Russia signed their agreement in London last August, the old order, in which war-making might be construed as legal, came to a definable end".-

What Mr. Jackson overlooks in his self-righteousness is:

> "International law has never held that war is a crime and any changes in international law must be accepted by all nations".-

Mr. Jackson had as his collaborators for the preparation of this Nuremberg "trial" two Jews, Judge Samuel I. Rosenman and Dr. Sheldon Glueck. He has as associate Justices the "immortal" former U. S. Attorney General Francis Biddle and the Pearl Harbor report whitewash former U. S. Supreme Court Judge Roberts, who has evidently reached "second childhood age".- No more need be said!-

Mr. Jackson's prosecution can be readily attacked - and surely will be condemned by historians - as Lynch Law and a Jewish vindictive scheme to railroad to the gallows twenty-two accused Germans who have done nothing essentially different from actions that have been perpetrated for generations by American businessmen and American governmental officials.-

The saying proves true:

"The Angb-Saxon uses one yardstick on himself and another on others".

It pleases Mr. Jackson to exaggerate, for example, that "millions" of Jews were eliminated by the Germans, when the actual number statistically proven is in reality less than twohundred thousand.-

Now Mr. President, are you aware that your signing of Executive Order 9547 in your rank as Commander-in-Chief in authorising the War Department to conduct this Nuremberg "trial" is entirely unconstitutional because of the restrictions which the Constitution places on the role and application as well as on the staffing of Court Martials.

No American Court-Martial can try officers of other nations, and such transgression has never before been attempted. Mr. Jackson's "court", however, pretends to "try" foreign officers and also foreign statesmen and private individuals. Furthermore the Jackson "court" is not presided over by military judges or prosecuted by military prosecutors.

After his performance at Nuremberg, Mr. Jackson's only permissible characterization is: Juridical Anarchist.

If the verdicts, scheduled to be announced on Monday, Sept. 30th prescribe hanging of the twenty-two accused men, will it then not be ten times more mandatory to hang the hypocritical politicians and financiers who are plotting now against the world a tyranny far more extensive and far more disastrous than was ever said to have been contemplated by Hitler.

And this includes with double force such smooth conspirators as Henry Morgenthau, Bernard Baruch, Samuel I Rosenman, Cordell Hull, Felix Frankfurter et al who concocted and put over that infamous Morgenthau Plan and the Potsdam Agreement which caused the pillaging, murdering and raping of many millions of German civilians, the forced removal during rain and snow of the aged, women and children of entire German and Austrian provinces, the ill-treatment of German prisoners of war and the sending of millions of German soldiers and civilians in slave labor camps, and the systematical starving and freezing to death hundred times as many defenseless German civilia than Jews lived in Western and Central Europe - and this even now, eighteen months after hostilities have ceased in Europe.

It is therefore only just to ask that Morgenthau, Baruch, Rosenman et al should likewise suffer an ignomious end on the gallows for their above cited conspiracies and MOST TERRIBLE CRIMES against non-combattants.

If you do not disavow this nonsense at Nuremberg, it is still time for the American people to wake up and prevent the consumation of this plot of Jewish vindictiveness.

Very sincerely yours,

Kurt Mertig

Kurt Mertig
chairman
German-American Republican League
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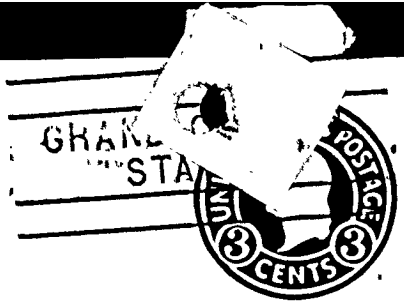

President Harry S. Truman

White House

Washington D. C.

Bert Mertig 317 E. 54th St New York 22, N.Y.

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Assistant Attorney General T. L. Caudle October 9, 1946

John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

KURT MERTIG;
INTERNAL SECURITY - G.

Reference is made to my letter to you of October 3, 1946, wherein you were furnished information concerning Mertig.

The Bureau is now in receipt of a memorandum from Matthew J. Connelly, Secretary to the President of the United States, which memorandum furnished correspondence that appeared on the letterhead of the German-American Republican League of Greater New York of which Mertig is the Chairman. A photostatic copy is attached herewith of this correspondence for your perusal.

The Bureau desires to be advised if you deem it necessary that any investigation be conducted in connection with this matter.

Attachment

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SAC, New York City

October 9, 1946

Director, FBI

KURT MERTIG;
INTERNAL SECURITY - G.

This is to advise you that Matthew J. Connelly, Secretary to the President of the United States, by memorandum of October 1, 1946, furnished the Bureau with correspondence which was addressed to the President by Kurt Mertig, Chairman of the German-American Republican League of Greater New York. A photostatic copy of this correspondence is attached hereto for the completion of your files.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 1, 1946

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MEMORANDUM FOR

HONORABLE J. EDGAR HOOVER

The attached letter, addressed to the President by Kurt Mertig, Chairman, German American Republican League, New York City, is referred for your consideration and such action as you may deem proper.

Thank you.

MATTHEW J. CONNELLY
Secretary to the President.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation DATE: October 18, 1946

FROM : Theron L. Caudle, Assistant Attorney General TLC:JBOB:fy

SUBJECT: Kurt Mertig 146-7-189

TLC

Your memorandum dated October 9, 1946, and the enclosed photostatic copy of a letter written by the subject to the President of the United States on a letterhead of the German-American Republican League of Greater New York have been received. You request to be advised whether any investigation be conducted in connection with this matter.

The Criminal Division, after careful consideration, is of the opinion that no investigation be made at the present time.

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SAC, San Diego

January 27, 1947

Director, FBI

KURT MERTIG
SECURITY MATTER - G

Reference is made to your letter dated December 30, 1946, which enclosed a newspaper entitled "The Broom," published in San Diego. The December 2, 1946 issue of this publication has been noted to contain an article written by Kurt Mertig.

This is to advise you that Mertig, who considers himself to be the Chairman of the German American Republican League of Greater New York, has been the subject of extensive investigation by the Bureau. He also considers himself to be Chairman of the Citizens' Protective League, 317 East 54th Street, New York City. This organization is practically non-existent and is utilized as a device for obtaining funds for Mertig. Mertig is considered a perennial critic of any policy of the United States adversely affecting Germany and he recently received a prison sentence on a disorderly conduct charge in New York City arising out of his anti-Semitic speeches. He has little influence or following. The New York Field Office has been the office of origin in the investigation with regard to him.

In accordance with your request, there is being returned to you the December 2, 1946 issue of the publication "The Broom."

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cc New York
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: December 30, 1946

FROM : SAC, San Diego

SUBJECT: KURT MERTIG
SECURITY MATTER - C

The newspaper entitled "The Broom" is published in San Diego by one C. LEON de ARYAN, who was formerly the Subject of a sedition case handled by the Bureau. Copies of this paper are received regularly by the San Diego Field Division and contain considerable information of anti-Semitic and anti-Negro nature.

The December 2, 1946 issue of this publication contained an article or letter over the signature of KURT MERTIG entitled "Did We Fight the Wrong People in Europe?". The copy of this paper is being forwarded herewith to the Bureau. The indices in the San Diego Office reflect no record of the Subject.

The Bureau is requested to check the indices to ascertain if any information is available in the Bureau files regarding this individual and advise the San Diego Office. The Bureau is requested to return the above mentioned publication to the San Diego Field Office.

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DIRECTOR URGENT

KURT MERTIG, ISG. ATT. MR. LADD. RE STATEMENT TO PRESS OF REPRESENTATIVE JOHN MC DOWELL THAT HE HAD ATTENDED MEETING OF ORGANIZATION SIMILAR IN PRINCIPLES TO GERMAN AMERICAN BUND. ACCORDING TODAYS ISSUE NY TIMES MC DOWELL RELATES MEETING WAS HELD QUOTE ON EAST SIDE SECTION OF NYC AND OVER A BEER PARLOR UNQUOTE. FURTHER THAT GROUP EXPRESSED ANTI SEMITIC STATEMENTS AND CRITICIZED AMERICAN OCCUPATION POLICIES RE GERMANY. MEETING PRESIDED OVER BY PERSON WHO HAD SERVED A PRISON TERM AND HAD RECORD AS QUOTE BUNDIST AND DANGEROUS CITIZEN UNQUOTE. OSTENSIBLE PURPOSE OF MEETING, ACCORDING TO MC DOWELL WAS TO ORGANIZE AMERICANS OF GERMAN DESCENT TO FIGHT FOR A JUST PEACE WITH GERMANY. ABOVE UNDOUBTEDLY REFERS TO GERMAN AMERICAN INDEPENDENT VOTERS LEAGUE WHICH HELD MEETING EIGHT THIRTY PM TUESDAY, MARCH SEVENTEEN, FORTY SEVEN AT WERDERMANN HALL, ONE SIX NAUGHT THIRD AVE, NYC. SUCH ADDRESS ON QUOTE EAST SIDE ~~NYC AND~~ OVER BEER PARLOR UNQUOTE. MEETING CONDUCTED BY KURT MERTIG CONSISTED ANTI SEMITIC, PRO DASH GERMAN EXTREMISTS. MEETING MARKED RESUMPTION OF ACTIVITY OF ORGANIZATION WHICH HAD PREVIOUSLY DISBANDED WHEN MERTIG WAS SENTENCED TO PRISON TERM OF SIX MONTHS ON FEB FOURTEEN, FORTY SIX, FOR DISORDERLY CONDUCT. SEE BUREAU FILE SIXTY FIVE DASH TWO NAUGHT FIVE FIVE THREE. ARREST AND

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cc: Mr. Ladd

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SENTENCE FOLLOWED PUBLIC ANTI SEMITIC SPEECHES OF MERTIG AND HIS CO CASH DEFENDANT ERNEST ELMHURST. MERTIG, HOWEVER, NEVER FORMALLY MEMBER OF GERMAN AMERICAN BUND ALTHOUGH HE ASSOCIATED WITH BUND OFFICIALS AND ADVERTISED MEETINGS OF HIS ORGAINZATION IN BUND NEWSPAPER, DEUTSCHER WECKRUF UND BEOBACHTER. ABOVE SUBMITTED FOR INFO OF BUREAU.

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Social Note: Kurt Mertig Entertains 12 Old Friends at Soiree

By Victor H. Bernstein

Kurt Mertig, early associate of distinguished Bundists and Christian Fronters in Yorkville and Queens, and more recently domiciled in a river-view apartment in Riker's Island Penitentiary, East River, this city, entertained his Citizens Protective League at a regular weekly *soiree* the other evening in a meeting hall above a Third Ave. saloon. The room was tastefully decorated with an American flag hung against a wall of pleasing bilious brown.

Mr. Mertig apologized for the small attendance—eight men, four women and your reporter—by explaining that many of his brave followers, especially women, were afraid to come downtown into this rough neighborhood. (In a room across the hall, 200 men and women were listening to a German lecture on theosophy, but theosophists, of course, are notably braver than Bundists.) But Mr. Mertig added brightly that in view of the importance of the Citizens League—which is designed in his words to assist "persecuted" Bundists in this country and "persecuted" Germans in Germany and to help Germany get a "just" peace—he hoped at some future time to move his base of operations farther uptown.

Elmhurst

"I have already reached 1000 people who are interested in a just peace for Germany," Mr. Mertig said, with his delightful Hamburg waterfront accent, "and I hope to reach 6000 more. Then we shall see what we shall see." His 12 listeners murmured applaudingly.

Mr. Mertig has had a very interesting career. He was born in Germany, and during the Hitler regime, worked for the German-American Steamship Line. He then settled in this city and was seen frequently in the company of ex-Bund chief Fritz Kuhn, our old friend Joe McWilliams and others of this high social stratum.

After Pearl Harbor, he traveled for the U. S. Army, making a notable 800-mile trip inland at the request of the Army Exclusion Board, which considered his presence on the Atlantic coast a danger to U. S. security in Wartime.

Back Into Action At Christian Front

He never lost touch with his old friends, however, and after the war ended he returned to his beloved New York City and last Winter got into trouble distributing anti-Semitic literature at a Christian Front rally in Queens. For this he was awarded a six-month vacation in Riker's Island Penitentiary after due process of law. He returned to Manhattan from his East River retreat last Summer.

At the *soiree*, Mr. Mertig laughingly denied charges printed by PM and the New York *Post* that he was interested in recreating the Bund, and also denied that Rep. John McDowell (R., Pa.), who recently said he had attended a meeting in this city which looked like the beginnings of a new Bund, could have had any reference to the Citizens Protective League.

"None of us is a Bundist," said Mertig to his 12 listeners. "None of us *is* a fascist. What is a fascist? Do you know what a fascist is?" He laughed heartily and his 12 listeners laughed too. "Also," he added, "I am not an anti-Semite. I am only against international bankers and against the people who have made poor Germany so unhappy. I am against the Morgenthau plan, which [illegible] the German people to starve German women into succumbing to the lusts of the Allied occupation armies."

"Terrible!" said the eight men. *"Schrechlich!" murmured the four* women.

Mr. Mertig sat down for a while, and a man who gave his name as Schmidt talked about the MENACE of COMMUNISM.

I Honestly Believe A Lot of Things

"I honestly believe," said Mr. Schmidt, "that the COMMUNISTS are ALMOST AS STRONG as we are. I honestly believe that they ALREADY have the ATOM BOMB. I honestly believe they have BIGGER TANKS than we have, MORE AIRPLANES, MORE SOLDIERS. I honestly believe tum de dum de dum. . . . I honestly believe tum de dum de dum . . . I honestly believe. . . ."

"Schrechlich!" murmured the 12 listeners.

Then a stocky blond gentleman, elegant in pin-stripe blue suit and three gold teeth, got up and said he was not an anti-Semite either, BUT "90 per cent of the press is Jew-controlled while this country is 90 per cent WHITE CHRISTIAN. . . . Every time you criticize the JEWISH APPROACH to DEMOCRACY to favor the CHRISTIAN ARYAN approach you are called a FASCIST . . . The terrible COMMUNIST-JEWISH NEW DEAL calls us FASCIST, but everybody knows we are only loyal REPUBLICANS who believe in a CHRISTIAN ARYAN Constitution.

Mr. Mertig then got up again and read from a pamphlet and revelled, for the first time anywhere, the sensational news that the Nazis never used slave labor, but only conscripted labor who were paid just as much as German workers and treated just as well, and that the only really slave labor was the poor GERMAN PRISONERS OF WAR who are now SLAVING for the ALLIES.

"Ahhh!" breathed the 12 apostles.

Another of Our Distinguished Gentlemen

At this point your reporter asked the elegant gentleman in the pin-stripe suit who had made the speech about the "Jew press" what his name was, and he said, "Ernest Elmhurst."

Mr. Elmhurst is another of our distinguished citizens, having been one of the 29 defendants in the recent mass sedition trial in Washington.

"The only reason Germany turned to HITLER," Mr. Mertig was saying, "was because the HARD PEACE after the first war threatened GERMANY with STARVATION. Now we are making the same. . . ."

At this point your reporter retired softly from the room to seek a tall glass of REFRESHMENT in the bar downstairs. The garrulous bartender disclosed his enthusiastic support for the work of the Un-American Activities Committee in Washington.

"They had orter git after all dem bastids," said the barte[illegible] "Ah," said your [illegible]

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Fritz Kuhn Pal Ran Bund 'Revival' Here

By VICTOR RIESEL

The New York meeting which Rep. McDowell (R-Pa.) last week described in Washington as "the beginning of a new German-American Bund" was held aMr. 11 at Wederman Hall, 160 Third Av., The Post learned today.

It was run by Kurt Mertig, an anti-British, anti-Semitic Yorkville leader and a former friend of Fritz Kuhn, leader of the old Bund. Mertig recently served a jail term for distributing anti-Semitic literature at a Queens rally.

The meeting, and others like it, are under investigation by the House Committee on un-American Affairs.

Mertig opened the meeting by saying its purpose was to create a forum where German-Americans could express themselves. He reported that Germany is in a bad way because it is full of people who were "invited to come in and work during the war while the real Germans were fighting at the front."

He called President Truman "a boob" and "a bankrupt haberdasher."

His remarks were followed by an anti-Semitic talk by another speaker.

Happened to See Postcard

Wederman Hall is an old-fashioned German saloon with recreation rooms and several larger meeting rooms. McDowell, it was learned, saw a postcard distributed by Mertig advertising the meeting there and decided to attend.

After a couple of beers he asked the bartender for directions and wound up in a room with 75 to 100 other persons. His chief interest was to discover if the Mertig outfit was the beginning of a new nationalist German movement.

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Hall Owner Bars Ex-Bund Leader

By HOWARD RUSHMORE

Kurt Mertig, ex-convict and former leader of groups associated with the Nazi Bund, today was looking for a new hall in which to hold meetings of his "German-American Republican League."

As a result of the N. Y. Journal-American's exposure of Mertig's renewed "Germany first" activities yesterday, the management of the Werdermann Hall, 160 3rd ave., last night told Mertig "this is your last meeting here—we don't want your kind in our building."

About 25 persons, most of them speaking German, had gathered in one of the meeting rooms when Joseph Essert, manager of the building, told Mertig "to finish your meeting and don't come back."

ORDERS REPORTER OUT.

Obviously enraged, Mertig then ordered this reporter and William Finn, N. Y. Journal-American photographer, out of the hall.

"You weren't invited," Mertig said. "We don't like the kind of stories your newspaper prints about us. Get out."

Mertig refused to challenge the accuracy of the story which cited his record as former secretary of the League of German Societies—plus his six-months stay in the Workhouse where he was sentenced for publicly advocating religious bigotry.

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Eric Siebert
60-96 71 Ave.
Brooklyn 27, N.Y.

June 1, 1947

Gentlemen:

For the past month my family and I have been annoyed by cards from the "German American Republican League" which have been mailed to our home. We don't know what this organization stands for but from the tone of their cards I do not believe that they could be working for the good of our nation.. I unfortunately threw most of the cards away but I believe the enclosed card will give you an idea of the type of literature they are sending out.

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Sincerely,

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PS: I am spending the summer at Lew Beach, N.Y.

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Mr. Eric Siebert
60-96 71st Avenue
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Dear Mr. Siebert:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated June 1, 1947, enclosing a card received by you from the German-American Republican League.

Your thoughtfulness in bringing this information to my attention is most sincerely appreciated and it is being made a matter of record in our files.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

(Kurt Martig is the subject of a Security Matter - C, Denaturalization Proceedings - C, Registration Act and Sedition case, New York Origin, Bu. File 65-20553, NY File 100-16314.)

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Cordial Invitation
Two Mass Protest Meetings
Wednesday, May 28th, 8:00 p.m.
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at Yorkville Casino
210 East 86th Street, New York City

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317 East 54th Street, New York City

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was not deported to Germany and how come she is permitted complete freedom today. If any of their aristocratic friends in the State Department can answer either of these questions, we would much appreciate a reply. In the meantime, we must regretfully demand that the so-charming chatelaine be subjected to a few embarrassing reminders that not everyone is willing to accept "by-gones are by-gones over the champagne and caviar."

KURT MERTIG RIDES AGAIN!

This time, wholly unabashed by a recent jail term for distributing anti-Semitic literature, the Nazi apologist made his appearance in a New York meeting launching a forum for German-Americans, where mourners of the defeated Third Reich may gather to exchange the time of Hitler's day and comfort each other about the sad state of the Fatherland.

Unfortunately for Mertig, his meeting received some unfavorable publicity when Rep. John McDowell (Republican of Pennsylvania), of the House Un-American Activities Subcommittee, decided to attend the nostalgic little assembly. More unfortunately still, for Mertig, McDowell was so impressed by the "forum" that his sub-committee has decided to investigate the meeting and others like it.

Mertig opened the meeting reporting that Germany to whom we have given considerable space in the past. Readers of "Prevent World War III" may recall that the notorious Yorkville leader and former buddy of Fritz Kuhn, was chairman of the "Citizens' Protective League," from whose platform he issued threats against the United States, and served as a loyal stooge for Germany. He is the same Kurt Mertig who headed up a recent drive to aid "good" Germans—a relief drive which turned out to be a cautious camouflage for a revival of the German-American Bund.

Whatever his faults, Herr Mertig cannot be accused of a lack of consistency or perseverance. Stubbornly, he clings to his idea of resuscitating the "Bund," and according to Rep. McDowell, this was the main theme of last month's "forum." Though the familiar trappings and stiff-armed salutes were absent, the "Bund" ideologies were well-aired, and an ardent plea made for a "just peace in Germany," and the absolution of Nazism for the crimes committed in its name.

Reported Representative McDowell: "*What they are apparently trying to do is to make people believe that the slave laborers went voluntarily to Germany during the war to cash in on high wages and are now systematically stripping the country.*"

Mertig opened the meeting reporting that Germany is in a bad way due to these avaricious and merciless slave laborers who made good while "*the real Germans were fighting at the front.*" In fine form and true to type, he took time out to underscore the rapacity of the U. S. occupation, terming President Truman "*a bankrupt haberdasher,*" and sprinkling his tirade with references to the strength of the "*30 millions Americans of German descent*" who would not stand by idly to witness the indignities inflicted on the German people. But Mertig's luck seems to be running a trifle thin these days. Time was when cards were rigorously inspected at "Bund" meetings and not everyone could get in. The recent laxity and goodwill towards the public will probably result in a bad time for Mertig and friends before the Un-American Committee and may even have serious consequence for the entire movement—which goes to show that you can't be too careful if you want to be a successful and undisturbed Nazi in America today!

"GREATER GERMANY CALLING FOR HELP"

The most vicious breeding ground of rabid German nationalism has always been the German student corps. Long before Hitler appointed himself the shining knight of Germanism, the brawling, shouting, drinking pack of German petty nobility strutted about in their Corps uniforms, championing the cause of the Master Race. Americans, used to the perhaps foolish but usually quite harmless snobbism of college fraternities, have never been able to grasp the deadly arrogance of the German student Corps and its feudal habits of dueling and political terror. However, it is time that Americans learned about them. For now, in the second year after the German defeat, these student corps have begun to organize in so intensely American a town as Cleveland, Ohio!

An "old boys' society" of the notorious *Corps Brandenburgia* is putting out a mimeographed pamphlet which concerns itself only to a very small degree with the stories of the "old boys," and concentrates more emphatically on propaganda for the Fatherland. It is full of the traditional, sickening jargon of the Corps hierarchy, and full, also, of insolent invective against the Allies. Its motto, as quoted in its last issue by "President" Wilhelm K. Von M. Ziechmann, is most significant and typical of Germany's attitude today.

It is from the last stanza of *Deutchland ueber Alles* and reads: "*Im Ungluck nun erst recht.*" (*In Adversity, all the more so*).

The pamphlet, neatly adorned with the Imperial German Reich colors in black, white, red, indulges in the familiar sharp criticism of Allied policy in the fallen Fatherland. "*It goes without saying*" declared the *Brandenburgia* "*that the deplorable conduct of the armies of occupation is one of utter revulsion and entirely without honor.*" Turning back the pages of history, the pamphlet coldly refers to American bombing raids over German territory as "*unwarranted*" and dismisses any possible reference to Germany's war guilt by pleading tenderly for the "*15 million dispossessed souls*"—Germans who call for help from the death grip now clutching their throat. The matter of German land and reparations is of course neatly twisted and perverted so that one reads with amazement of "*Greater Germany calling for help*" against the tyranny of its conquerors.

German Relief and German Rehabilitation form the main motif of this insidious little publication. But all this is fairly commonplace among the neo-Nazi literature in America today. What is perhaps a little exceptional, and certainly very startling is the poem, dedicated to the Fatherland. One verse sings with fervor and pride: "*Then the bonds which span you now will break and drag along the floor.*"

The bonds, the *Brandenburgia* makes sure its readers understand, are the insupportable bonds of defeat!

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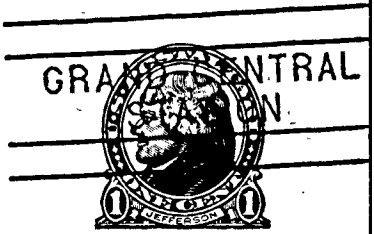

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317 East 54th Street, New York City

FORMER NAZI AGENT PUSHES HOOVER PLAN FOR GERMANY

Invitation to Our Save Europe Meetings

Every WEDNESDAY Night at 8:30 o'clock
25 West 27th St., (corner B'way) Room 506

We protest the conspiracy of silence imposed on humanity by the most inhuman of all victors and demand:

1) That a Hoover Plan replace the Morgenthau and Marshall Plans;

2) That a Central Control Board of competent and unbiased civilians, instead of military administrators, be created in Germany;

3) That the German people be allowed to put their own house in order;

4) That shipments to Germany of relief goods be permitted to be made by freight instead of at the prohibitively high parcel post rates;

5) That the German currency be stabilized;

6) That all prisoners of war be freed and an amnesty be declared for conscientious objectors and for civilian internees held for political reasons in Germany and the United States;

7) That the state of war be declared officially ended;

8) **That a separate and fair peace be concluded immediately with Germany and Austria!**

KURT MERTIG, *Chairman*
GERMAN-AMERICAN REPUBLICAN LEAGUE
317 E. 54th St., N. Y. C.

A year's subscription to the American Weekly "THE BROOM" is $4 - It is not afraid to tell the truth!

Herbert Hoover's plan to rebuild Germany as a "bulwark of western civilization" and to conclude a separate peace is given support in a postcard (above), one of many sent to United Nations Delegates by Kurt Mertig, branded a Nazi agent during the late war. Mertig, former leader of the Nazi Front Citizens Protective League, was ordered moved during the war 300 miles inland by the Army Exclusion Board as a dangerous friend of the enemy. He is active again today spreading fascist propaganda through a new organization, the so-called German-American Republican League, 317 E. 54 St. The war with Germany according to Mertig, was "nothing more than a Roosevelt war

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TO : The Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation DATE: January 20, 1948

FROM : T. Vincent Quinn, Assistant Attorney General TVQ:WEF:DTJ

SUBJECT: Kurt Mertig; 146-28-101
German-American Republican League;
Citizens' Protective League, Inc.

Forwarded herewith for your information are copies of a letter and its enclosures received by the Chief of Staff of the United States Army from Kurt Mertig whose past activities are well known to you. The Chief of the Civil Affairs Division of the Department of the Army has advised that similar letters were sent to the Secretary of National Defense and the Secretary of the Army.

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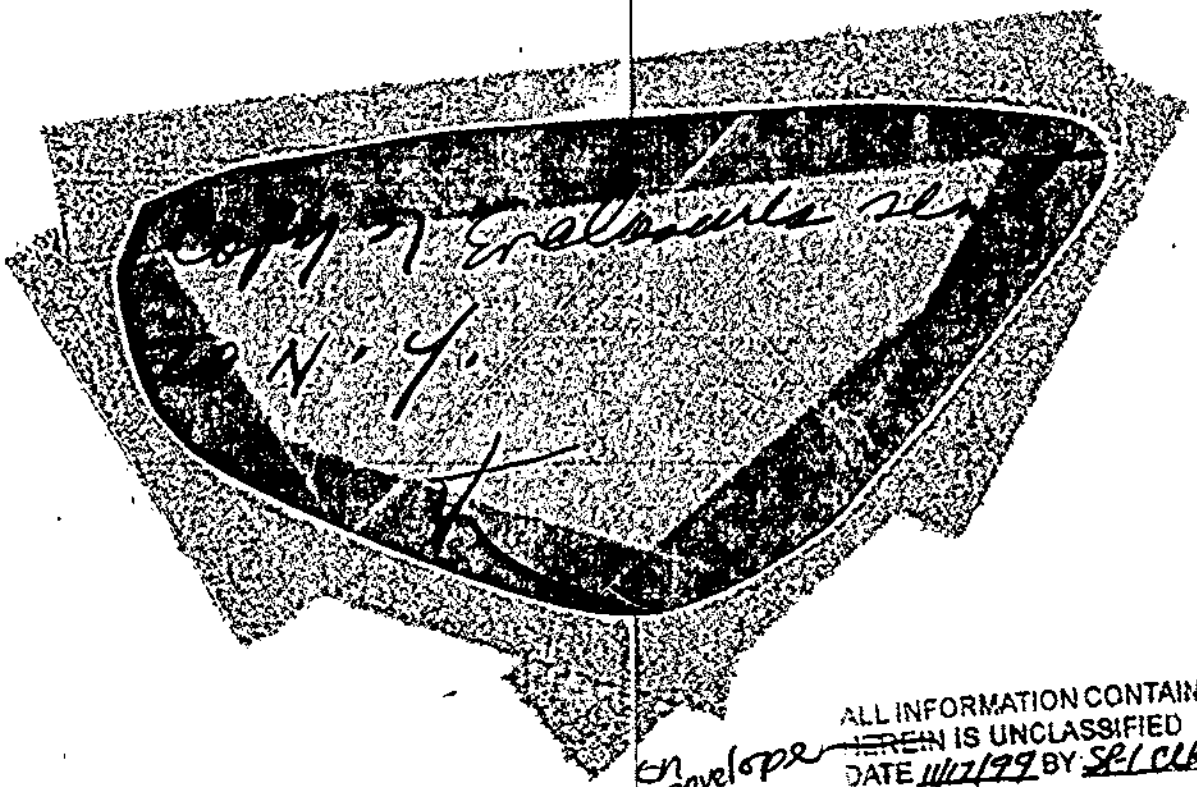

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German-American Republican League

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KURT MERTIG, CHAIRMAN

NEW YORK, N. Y., 317 EAST 54TH STREET

November 3, 1947.

General Dwight D. Eisenhower
Chief of Staff
War Department
Pentagon Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

We should appreciate it, if you would kindly look into attached exchange of correspondence with **Gen. Lucius D. Clay**, U. S. Military Governor of Germany, regarding a subject which concerns both humanity as well as relief for the American taxpayer.-

And another matter we should like to commend to your attention:

> The cutting, or even better, the eliminating of the present excessive postal rates on gift packages sent by charitable Americans to their starving friends or relatives in Europe.

The suggestion has been made by the weekly Army Times (and endorsed by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and other service groups) that the Post Office provide free transportation for these food and clothing bundles. The present 14 ¢ a lb. rate is far too heavy a charge on charity.-

It is the more inexcusable, because it lays upon this particular class of freight the task of paying the cost of many times the volume of other items. Why perpetrate such discriminatory injustice ? -

Won't you please help us in our endeavors ? - These matters will shortly come up in Congress.

Thanking you in advance for your co-operation, we beg to remain

very sincerely yours,

Kurt Mertig

Kurt Mertig
chairman
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KURT MERTIG, CHAIRMAN

NEW YORK, N. Y., 317 EAST 54TH STREET

October 28, 1947.

Lt. General Lucius D. Clay
Hq. OMGUS
APO 742 c/o PM New York City.

My dear General:- re: The German Golgatha !

We noted with regret from your letter of October 15th that the limited time of your stay in Washington made it impossible for you to receive our delegation representing thousands of American citizens of German descent to discuss rehabilitation and revitalization of Germany. It is also deplorable that you did not give any information to the press, because an ever increasing tenseness has been created about what is actually happening in Germany due to the recently recrudescent censorship on communications from and to U. S. occupied Germany. Letters from the Russian occupied zone arrive in three weeks, while it takes six weeks for a letter to arrive here from the U.S.zone.

As close students of German economy we should have very much appreciated an opportunity to discuss with you ways and means how to arrive at a better solution of the problems of Germany - always with a view how to lighten the load of the American taxpayer - because official Washington's and your military Government's uncompromising attitude on the continued dismantling of what manufacturing plants still remain in Germany and shipping them from the British and American occupation zones to England and to Russia, is very puzzling ! -

And so has been your "statement" as to your proposed stoppage of food relief to the German population, in case German workmen should not lend a willing hand in the dismantling of additional 682 industrial German plants, some of which have been constructed since fighting stopped two years and six months ago.-

Did you have in mind also the withholding of parcel post gift packages of American citizens to their starving German kinfolk ? Such chicanery had occured before ! -

Senator Styles Bridges pointed out in Frankfurt and Berlin on Oct 22:

> "It is crazy to shovel out hundreds of millions on one hand, and take out things which would permit the Germans to get on their feet. Reparations should have been taken out from current production of German plants, rather than from actual plant machinery. Machinery in Germany should be used to produce and thus assist in European reconstruction under the Marshall Plan".

We have believed right along what Senator C. Wayland Brooks said a few days ago, while visiting Germany:

> "The time has come to bring this problem of reparations before the American people and disclose to them that the present American policy toward Germany was based on a bad deal at Potsdam, a stupid Morgenthau Plan and a delayed level-of-industry program".-

Mr. Ernest T. Weir, chairman of the National Steel Corporation of Pittsburgh, Pa., stated in his "Notes on a Trip to Europe" a few days ago:

> "There is universal agreement on the part of English business men that Germany must be rehabilitated and a great increase in production brought about by allowing the German people full liberty in the reconstruction of their country. I do not believe we can ever have a going Europe until this is started. The Morgenthau Plan as applied in Germany by our country was one of the great crimes of history.-
>
> The report of Mr. Hoover, which was endorsed by the group of American business men that was sent to Germany, showed plainly what must be done. The Administration in Washington stated some time ago that they were putting this into effect. This is a complete misrepresentation to the people of this country because nothing has been done so far as I can find. The slightly amended Morgenthau Plan is still in control. This is one thing that Congress must take steps to accomplish - that is, a proper program for the rehabilitation of Germany. We, of course, will have to advance money to Germany to bring that about, but I believe it is one of the safest places in Europe to put funds for reconstruction under a proper plan."-

Would you enlighten us as to what you mean when you say in your letter under reply that, in point of fact, the "Morgenthau Plan", as it is commonly understood, has never been applied in Germany. Now, what plan, if any, has been applied by your military government in Germany ? -

While it is true that the War Department and the State Department have been responsible for putting into operation that infamous and insane Morgenthau Plan of destruction of German industry in the Ruhr and Saar for the purpose of converting Germany into a principally agrarian country, we must blame your military government of Germany for the exceedingly harsh methods of enforcing that policy - and still keeping it enforced in disregard of Washington's orders to amend it, as we have been assured.

We understand - from reports which have leaked out of Germany despite the rigidly enforced censorship - that U. S. Government directives of April 9th and July 16th, 1947, intended to modify that unstatesmanlike previous directive (commonly referred to as the "Morgenthau Plan") have not been carried out by the military and civilian personnel under your command, which requires the immediate dismissal of the guilty parties ! -

We hold against your military government of Germany:

1) The utter disregard for the absolute minimum necessities of food, clothing and shelter for the helpless, starving and freezing German population;
2) Your antagonistic attitude toward the German workmen;
3) The unbelievable increase of red tape bureaucracy under your military government in Germany which has brought practically

all rehabilitation of German industry and home building (and repairing) to a complete standstill;

4) Your failure to do anything to correct the disproportionate allocation of German coal to Britain, France, Belgium etc., leaving no coal for re-starting what still remained of industrial plants in Germany and leaving practically nothing to heat German households;

5) Your refusal to permit the Germans to engage in deepsea fishing to increase their insufficient food supply;

6) Your denial to let the Germans engage in whale fishing to procure at least some urgently needed fat and oil (your explanation being that Germany had cut herself off from the territories of whale fishing by the policy of her late government);

7) Your refusal to allocate to the Germans the absolutely necessary material for home canning and preservation of perishable food, thus causing hundreds of thousands of tons of fruit to rot on the trees, and vegetables to rot in the ground - thereby further complicating the food problem for the German population during this coming winter, when the supply of potatoes in Western Germany will become exhausted during December this year, the stocks of grains threatening to become exhausted during January, 1947;

8) Your permitting the ruthless methods of the CIC (Counter Intelligence Corps) - recruited chiefly of persons imbued with hatred and revenge against everything German - and giving such persons free rein to wreak havoc with German institutions and German individuals;

9) Your permitting the Nuremberg trials of German industrialists to continue, when these people have followed only the program dictated by the former German government;

10) Your attitude toward dismantling additional German factories in the British occupation zone, thereby depriving German workers of the means for a living - which means an entirely unnecessary burden for the American taxpayer.

We would suggest for your earnest consideration the following:

1) Freeing of all prisoners of war and returning them to their homes;
2) Cessation of "De-Nazification"; also of "Nuremberg Trials";
3) Ending of German Reparations; Stabilization of German currency; Granting Germany loans for self-help (not for indefinite dole);
4) Allowing Germans to get their industries going again; encouraging German exports, so that they can get out of the breadlines and set their own house in order;
5) Creating a Central Control Board of competent and unbiased civilians for all of Germany;
6) Totally discarding that discredited Morgenthau Plan;
7) Accepting reasonable recommendations of American businessmen who have visited Germany, such as Lewis H. Brown of Johns-Manville Corporation, who proposed to set up immediately a reserve of 10 million tons of German coal to keep German industry going, and produce merchandise for export to pay for American relief shipments and thus relieve the U. S. taxpayers.-

Respectfully submitted,

Kurt Mertig

Kurt Mertig
chairman
GERMAN-AMERICAN REPUBLICAN LEAGUE

German-American Republican League

of Greater New York

FOUNDED IN 1936

KURT MERTIG, CHAIRMAN

NEW YORK, N. Y., October 6, 1947.
317 EAST 54TH STREET

It is an undeniable historical fact that in pre-war days -- as a result of skilful research by German scientists with similarly skilful mechanical ability, coupled with patient industry manifested by German workmen -- Germany became the heart of Europe in all those activities which under modern civilization provide for the feeding and clothing and housing of Europe.-

And it is equally undeniable that if Europe is to be put on its feet again, and American taxpayers relieved of the burden of providing food and clothing for Europe, the science and industry of Germany must once more be given free opportunity to exert its full power for the benefit of other European nations, whose people never did acquire the industrial talent of the Germans -- and are much less likely to acquire that talent now.-

Hence the present concealed - but non-the-less most determined effort by selfish interests - to keep in force the Morgenthau Plan to make a goat pasture out of Germany and in that process destroy most of Germany's industry and starve to death some thirty million skilled German workers and their families, is not only infamous but also asinine.-

The American public has been kept uninformed and has been deliberately misled regarding the urgent necessity to rehabilitate Germany and we write you to help combat that deliberately intended promoting of such ignorance.-

General Lucius D. Clay, U. S. Military Governor of Germany, ventured the ugly threat that he would hold up the delivery of American Relief Food shipments to Germany, if German workmen should resist the piratical program of dismantling and shipping to England additional ninehundred to eighteen hundred German factories from the British occupation zone of Germany, which is a combination of outrage and folly ! -

How would it be possible to rehabilitate Germany and deliver American taxpayers from their present burden of relieving Germany and Europe, if all modern instrumentalities for the producing of food and clothing and shelter continue to be taken away from Germany ? -

The survival of civilization is at stake in this matter. We are our brother's keeper as never before in human history ! -

Very sincerely yours,

Kurt Mertig

Kurt Mertig, chairman

GERMAN-AMERICAN REPUBLICAN LEAGUE

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SAC, New York

January 28, 1948

Director, FBI

KURT MERTIG
INTERNAL SECURITY - G
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The Criminal Division of the Department has furnished the Bureau with photostatic copies of a letter received by the Chief of Staff of the United States Army from Mertig, enclosing a copy of a letter dated October 28, 1947, written by Mertig to Lieutenant General Lucius D. Clay, Commander-in-Chief, European Theater, as well as a letter from Lieutenant General Clay to Mertig dated October 15, 1947.

One photostatic copy of each of these communications is enclosed hereto for your information in connection with the above-captioned matter.

Attachment.

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KURT MERTIG
CITIZENS PROTECTIVE LEAGUE
GERMAN AMERICAN REPUBLICAN LEAGUE

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This is to advise you that the following letter was received by the Bureau from Mr. T. Vincent Quinn, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice, which is quoted as follows:

"FRIENDS OF DEMOCRACY, INC.
137 East 57th Street
New York 22, New York

"July 15, 1948

"Attorney General Thomas Clark
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Attorney General Clark:

"We understand that Kurt Mertig, whose Citizens Protective League and German American Republican League both were included on your latest list of subversive organizations, is instituting proceedings to have your charge against him withdrawn.

"Over the years we have gathered a rather impressive amount of information about Mertig and his activities. If you need it, we shall be happy to furnish this information, or any part of it, to you.

"Yours for the democratic way of life,

"/s/ L.M. BIRKHEAD
L.M. Birkhead"

Mr. Quinn requested that the Bureau make arrangements to interview Mr. Birkhead in order to obtain from him all information pertaining to Mertig and the organizations that he represents. In accordance with this request you are instructed to arrange this interview at an early date and advise the Bureau immediately upon the completion of the interview.

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MR. T. VINCENT QUINN, ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL
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KURT MERTIG
CITIZENS PROTECTIVE LEAGUE
GERMAN AMERICAN REPUBLICAN LEAGUE

Reference is made to your memorandum dated July 23, 1948, captioned as above, your reference TVQ:JBH:MMcK, your file 145-12-177, wherein you requested that this Bureau make arrangements to interview Mr. L. M. Birkhead in order to obtain such information as he may have regarding the captioned individual and organizations.

Please be advised that the New York office of this Bureau has been requested to conduct this interview and as soon as the results are received they will be furnished to you promptly.

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TO : The Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: July 23, 1948

FROM : T. Vincent Quinn, Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

TVQ:JBH:MMcK
145-12-177

SUBJECT: Kurt Mertig
Citizens Protective League
German American Republican League

I am enclosing herewith two copies of a letter to the Attorney General dated July 15, 1948, by L. M. Birkhead of the Friends of Democracy, Inc.

It is requested that Mr. Birkhead be interviewed and such information as he may have be obtained.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: September 15, 1948

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: KURT MERTIG
INTERNAL SECURITY - G

Reference Bureau letter dated August 2, 1948, entitled KURT MERTIG; CITIZENS PROTECTIVE LEAGUE; GERMAN AMERICAN REPUBLICAN LEAGUE.

Reference letter advised that L. M. BIRKHEAD of the Friends of Democracy, Inc., 137 East 57th Street, New York City, had written to the Attorney General, stating that his organization had an impressive amount of information about the subject, and reference letter requested that Mr. BIRKHEAD be interviewed for all information pertaining to subject that he possessed.

L. M. BIRKHEAD advised that the Friends of Democracy, Inc., had collected all the information in their files into one report concerning KURT MERTIG and his association with the Citizens Protective League, the German American Republican League, and other pro-Nazi associations and individuals.

Mr. BIRKHEAD supplied a copy of this report compiled by the Friends of Democracy, Inc. Accordingly, in order that this full report of the Friends of Democracy, Inc., may be available to the Bureau and to the office of the Attorney General, there are being forwarded herewith as enclosures with this letter two photostatic copies of this report compiled by the Friends of Democracy, Inc., in regard to the subject. The original of this report is being maintained in the file on this case in the New York Office.

Accordingly, since there is no further investigation to be conducted in this matter, this case is being maintained in a closed status.

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SAC, New York

June 14, 1951

Director, FBI

KURT MERTIG
INTERNAL SECURITY - G
Your file 100-16314
Bureau file 65-20553

The following comments were made by Drew Pearson during his radio broadcast on Sunday night, June 10, 1951.

> "The unfounded rumor department: First the letter sent to parents whose sons have been killed in Korea urging them to read Hitler's 'Mein Kampf' and cursing General Eisenhower for destroying the German army. Those of you who receive these dastardly letters should know that they are sent by Kurt Mertig, the notorious Nazi propagandist. Don't pay any attention to them."

The New York Office conducted an extensive investigation of Mertig from approximately 1941 to 1946 when his case was closed.

New York is requested to determine if Mertig is sending letters to parents whose sons have been killed in Korea and to submit a report suitable for dissemination setting forth Mertig's current activities. This matter should receive your early attention.

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Director, FBI

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KURT MERTIG
CITIZENS PROTECTIVE LEAGUE
GERMAN AMERICAN REPUBLIC LEAGUE

Reference is made to the memorandum of T. Vincent Quinn, Assistant Attorney General, dated July 23, 1948, reference TVQ:JBH:MMcK 145-12-177, requesting the Bureau to interview Mr. L. M. Birkhead, 137 East 57th Street, New York, New York, for information in Mr. Birkhead's possession concerning the above captioned subject.

In accordance with your request Mr. Birkhead was interviewed and he advised that the Friends of Democracy, Incorporated had collected all the information in their files, concerning Kurt Mertig, into one report. Mr. Birkhead supplied our New York Office a copy of this report and attached hereto you will find a photostatic copy of this report. The original is being retained in the Bureau's New York Office.

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J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

J. Edgar Hoover:

From time to time I receive letters from Gerald L. K. Smith, in St. Louis, and also from Robert H. Williams, Santa Anna, California.

I have tried to decide in my mind whether thest two anti-Jewish acticities are related.

Could it be that both of them are supported by the Communist Party, or could it be that either one or both of them are independent thinkers, doing what they consider defending our way of life.?

I am entirley out of sympathy with any anti-Jewish program, or with any program that has a tendency to divide us along religious lines. Intolerance in religion, as well as in other things, is not compatible with principles of our Constitution.

Sometimes I tear this stuff up and throw it in the waste basket: other times I have sent it to the F.B.I in Amarillo.

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Of late, I have accumulated some similar material from Kurt Mertig, 317 E. 54th Street, New York City 22, New York.

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Under no circumstances have I ever attempted to use any of their material.

I can find sufficient argument against Communism without indulging in any sort of religious intolerance.

Enclosed you will find some of this material which I feel ought to come into your possession, because I know you are well qualified to see that it will not be used to unjustly contribute to the injfury of innocent people simply because that may happen to be of some particular religious faith.

We are all worried and concerned because of the evil of Communism and its threat to our peace and security.

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We who have children or loved ones in service are particularly concerned.

It is not my purpose to bring any unfair criticism upon the people who have sent me this material but it is sent to you for whatever action you might deem advisable in the interest of protecting our nation against the enemy.

Yours in the interst of justice and dignity under the self-government guaranteed to us in our Constitution.

Sincerely,

J. C. Phillips

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Mr. Perry Cleolies Poyser
Nogales, Arizona

Dear Mr. Poyser:

Your letter postmarked September 4, 1951, with enclosures, has been received, and I appreciate the thoughts which prompted you to write.

Although I would like to be of assistance in connection with your request for information, I wish to advise that the files of the FBI are confidential and available for official use only.

I am certain you will understand the reason for this rule. No inference, of course, should be drawn that we do, or do not, have the desired data because of my inability to be of assistance.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Dear Sir (y)

I have A Few clipings A Friend of mine sent me from Phaenix Ariz
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Jo Frank J. Felix of 1201 E Monro st
He Also sent me An Subscription Blank the Adress was
The Dayton Independent, of 16 So Patterson Blvd
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Yours Truly
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Roosevelt's "Peace-Loving Democracy -- Russia"! #1

Kurt Merting, New York City

While there cannot be any doubt that most of the Democrats... including the old adherents of the New Deal... abhor Russian tyranny and the sell out of America, white civilization and Christianity by our last two Presidents at Teheran, Yalta, and Potsdam... yet they have become so confused by propaganda (and perhaps by their own feeling of guilt) that they can no longer distinguish between facts and prejudices.

This confusion neither speaks well for that expensive public utility which we call "education" nor for our silly boast that "we are the best informed people in the world."

The American people have been unbelievably foolish in swallowing ... line, hook and sinker... Roosevelt's betrayal of American interests by the lend lease swindle (turning over to Russia... without any agreement as to subsequent accounting and settlement... $11-million worth of ships, war material and blank checks before and during our joining World War II).

However, there is NO EXCUSE FOR THE BETRAYING ING OF UNITED STATES INTERESTS by Roosevelt and Truman's high officials who are guilty of the unbelievable stupidity of dumping... long after the crisis of 1943 had passed... additional billions worth of peace time industrial equipment on Russia for her post war development and for the U. S. Treasurer, Henry Morgenthau Jr. unauthorizedly turning over to Russia the American plates for Russia's printing billions of dollars worth of American bank notes to be redeemed by United States banks! For those sets the culprits may yet be jailed, if the present administration will be kicked out on election day 1952.

The alleged sex-pervert Harry Hopkins and his fellow traitors in high government posts give the silly excuse for this steal... that they believed that Communist Russia would be America's friend, while any person with only some common sense could then already read the handwriting on the wall... that we could expect nothing but hatred, duplicity, and perhaps even war, from Soviet Russia.

Indeed, a war has been in progress between Cominform Russia and "free enterprise" America ever since the Bolshevik revolution of 1917 and the Roosevelt-engineered recognition of Communist Russia by the United States in 1933 was his pay off to the Rockefeller oil interests for their campaign support of Roosevelt's candidacy in 1932.

The Rockefellers alone profited from that un-American deal by FDR's obtaining from Russia the promise of non-interference with America and Britain obtaining oil well concessions in Iran, Irag and elsewhere in the Near East and as an outcome

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Peril" on his hands.

Alger Hiss, formerly a Rockefeller lawyer, the mysterious U. S. Supreme Court Judge, Felix Frankfurter, the whining appeaser Red Dean Acheson (and the many thousands of "bright young men" syphoned from Harvard into almost all the leading positions of the executive branch of our government between 1933 and 1944) all strove deviously to bring about the Rockefeller-sponsored United States entry in United Nations as well as all the sell-outs of American interests to a country opposed to our ideology. Like Harry Hopkins, all these Russian stooges have nothing but contempt for us Americans who are "too damned dumb too understand." All these American traitors have earned the honor of burial in the Kremlin, as they all served Stalin and Communist Russia.

It was also they who together with F. D. Roosevelt inspired labor unrest and CIO wickedness in our country after 1933, when mobs of union goons commenced almost overnight to indulge in the then practically unknown anarchy and insurrection; and very little has since then been done by the labor bosses to correct such lawlessness... with the consequent result that corruption, confusion and labor unrest threaten to paralyze our economic life the moment some hidden power may call for such treason.

While the phase of our ever-mounting casualty list, the draining of America's military and economic reserves in the Korean quagmire, is tragic... no less tragic is the fact that millions of our people still spring to the defense of the 3 Presidents (Wilson, Roosevelt and Truman) who have betrayed us by the tossing out of the window of that American foreign policy which is so clearly outlined in George Washington's prophetic Farewell Address...

icy under which America prospered mightily...and had friends everywhere in the world... until that fateful Good Friday in 1917.

Wilson's warmongering culminated in America entering a European conflict under the utterly false pretense of "making the world safe for democracy", when the origin of that war was nothing but a contest sought by England for the elimination of Germany from the world trade.

And those "bleeding hearts" who so readily invent alibis for Roosevelt, Truman and their assortment of Russian stooges in high government offices who now preach a gospel of fear in the nation, have no fears left over for the families of the American boys who were so coldly betrayed by those left-wing phony "liberals" who apparently owe allegiance only to the Kremlin.

W actually see U. S. Senators of the Herbert Lehman type argue on the floor of the Senate that we should not fight back and protect the lives of the men we sent into that idiotic Korean war because, if we allow them to fight back and protect themselves, we might make another enemy mad.

In any other period someone responsible for such betrayal of our own flesh and blood would hang for it... and someone should hang!

For the first time in our history... and let us hope that it will have been the last time -- office holders of America's most influential jobs have been bragging about having sold 500 million Chinese (our former allies) into abject Communist slavery, and destroying a friendly nation (the entire race of Koreans) in "an accordion war."

This war of attribution in Korea is unbelievable; it is a slaughtering contest. After watching this, what nation within the shadow of the Communist orbit will dare to resist?

General Douglas MacArthur had stood as a solid wall against Communism in Asia and he had to be destroyed in the minds of the American people if the Communists were to take over Asia and make of the Pacific a red lake.

If America is not to be destroyed from within, we must not catch only the traitors, but move with equal justice against the master plotters who have remained untoqched.

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KURT MERTIG	INTERNAL SECURITY - G

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject resides at 317 East 54th Street, NYC, and appears to be active as Chairman in the Citizens Protective League. Neighborhood investigation, CIs and others familiar with activities among German Americans in NYC area fail to reveal any additional specific information concerning subject's present activities. Subject through past activities is described as "crackpot" and "rabble rouser" and as having been strongly opposed to the military and political policies of this country. Subject not considered to have any influence or responsible following in this area. Description of subject set forth.

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DETAILS:

This investigation is predicated on the following comments made by DREW PEARSON during his radio broadcast on Sunday evening, June 10, 1951:

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At New York, New York

WILLIAM BRADY, Superintendent, 317 East 54th Street, New York City, advised that the subject is presently residing at this address. It was observed that the subject's name and that of the Citizens Protective League appears on the mailbox plate in the vestibule of the building.

Mr. BRADY stated that the subject appears to be actively engaged in the work of the Citizens Protective League and that he has many visitors who attend meetings in the subject's apartment. He stated that he is not aware of the purpose of these meetings nor does he know anything about the League or the subject's activities. He remarked that the subject impresses him as being a kindly and well-intentioned individual, and although he appears friendly to the neighbors in a casual way, he does not associate with any of them.

Dr. LOUIS B. FREIDERMAN, proprietor of the drug store at 1024 Second Avenue, New York City, advised that he has known the subject for the past several years, and although he sees him occasionally in the neighborhood, he has had nothing to do with him in the past three years. Dr. FREIDERMAN explained that it was about that time he became "fed up" with the subject's persistent criticism of the political and military policies of the United States and particularly as these policies affected Germany during and after the last war.

Dr. FREIDERMAN stated he knew the subject is the Chairman of the Citizens Protective League, but he does not know in what activities the subject is presently engaged. He remarked that he feels, however, that the subject is in some kind of "racket" for he seems to have a constant flow of non-descript looking individuals, who appear to be Germans, visiting him at all times of the day and night.

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, who is well acquainted with many of the residents in this neighborhood, advised that he is not acquainted with the subject although he knows him by sight, the subject having been pointed out to him as a "queer kind of guy" who was active in German affairs in this city during the last war.

The informant stated that he does not believe that the subject is engaged in any activities in the immediate neighborhood for he feels that if he were he would have heard of them.

Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, advised that the subject was very active just prior to and during the war years, and that during this period the subject engaged in disseminating propaganda through his writings and speeches which stamped him as a staunch German National Socialist.

The informant stated that shortly after the war he occasionally heard of the subject's activities, most of which were directed toward criticism of the political policies of the United States as concerned post-war Germany. The informant said, however, that in the past few years he has been unaware of the subject's activities and does not recall the subject's name having been discussed.

The informant described the subject as an egotist who fancied himself to be an important political figure particularly among the German Americans in this area. The informant said that his impression of the subject is that he is a "mental case" and believes this was the general impression most people had of the subject.

Confidential Informant T-3, of known reliability, who is well acquainted with German-American activities in the New York City area, advised that he knew of the subject's activities during and shortly after World War II. The informant stated that during that time the subject consistently sympathized with Germany and its course of action in the war and vehemently attacked the political and military policies of the United States.

The informant described the subject as a "crackpot" and "rabble rouser" and stated that the subject's followers were composed of individuals who were irresponsible and definitely not representative of the respectable German element in the New York City area.

According to this informant, the subject was at

that time acting in the capacity of a correspondent for "The Broom," an East San Diego, California, publication, and other radical papers and was known to have personally distributed these papers through newspaper stands in the Yorkville Section of New York City.

The informant related that the subject was the founder of the Citizens Protective League which grew out of the "Committee of 500" which had been established to raise defense funds for BRUNO HAUPTMANN, the convicted defendant in the famous LINDBERGH kidnapping case.

The informant stated the Citizens Protective League, although it received a great deal of publicity in the war years, nevertheless was not considered to be an important organization in German-American affairs in this area, and it was thought by many to be merely a "racket" for raising funds for the subject.

The informant said he does not know of nor has he heard of the subject engaging in any activities in recent years, nor was he aware that the Citizens Protective League was active during this period.

The subject's current activity with the Citizens Protective League is reflected in the following printed postal card which was addressed to the Honorable OLIVER J. SEMMES, Jr. Mayor, Pensacola, Florida, and signed by the subject as Chairman of this league with the address 317 East 54th Street, New York 22, New York:

"CALL FOR ACTION

"Two years ago we pleaded for 'open covenants openly arrived at,' and urged that separate peace treaties be concluded at once with Germany and Austria.

"We also asked that the discredited 'agreements' made at Casablance, Teheran, Yalta and Potsdam be scrapped and that the American people be informed of the up-to-now secret clauses of the North Atlantic Fact.

"For over six years business has been stymied by the curse of inefficiency and secrecy of our administration's

" 'foreign policy,' and economic conditions all over the world have become more and more demoralized.

"The recent expressions of fear of Russia by our highest military and political 'leaders'--'spokesmen' have done much harm to the prestige of the United States, and we now appeal to you to assist us in urging Congress to immediately banish all alien-minded influences from the State Department by refusing to make appropriations for their salaries; and principally sharply curtail our spendthrift-administration's wasteful expenditures at home and abroad.

"ONLY THUS CAN INFLATION BE ARRESTED AND THE AMERICAN PEOPLE'S RELIANCE RESTORED IN THEIR COUNTRY'S INDISPUTABLE MILITARY AND ECONOMIC STRENGTH!

"An eventual war between America and Russia must first be won on the home-front in the United States!

/s/ KURT MERTIG
"KURT MERTIG
"Chairman, Citizens Protective League
"317 E. 54th St., New York 22, N.Y."

The Citizens Protective League has been designated by the Attorney General as being an organization coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

HANS JAEGER, Restaurateur, 1253 Lexington Avenue, New York City, advised that he has known the subject for the past ten or more years. He stated that his relations with the subject were strictly of a business nature. He recalled that his first acquaintance with the subject concerned a business transaction in which the subject, who was then active in the Independent Voters League, had arranged to use a meeting hall on one of the upper floors of the building at this address for meetings of the League.

Mr. JAEGER related that he was obliged to request the subject to discontinue using this meeting hall when it became evident that the subject was engaging in political activities which JAEGER and other German Americans in the neighborhood considered to be unfavorable and against the interest of this country.

Mr. JAEGER said that he has not seen the subject for several years and that when he next saw him he requested that he not frequent any of the meeting rooms in this building, nor did he want him as a customer in his restaurant. He described the subject [redacted] an irresponsible person, a busybody and a troublemaker and believes that every respectable German American in this neighborhood, which is included in the Yorkville Section of New York City, has the same feeling toward him.

Confidential Informant T-4, of known reliability, who is well known to and to whom many of the people in the Yorkville Section of New York City seek counsel, advised that he is not acquainted with the subject nor does he recall ever having heard his name. The informant stated that he has not heard of anyone in this neighborhood having received the type of letters on which this investigation is predicated and doubts that these letters had been sent to individuals in this neighborhood as he feels that if they had been, he would have heard of it.

S. UNGER, Past Commander of American Legion Lexington Post 108, 155 East 88th Street, New York City, advised he does not know the subject nor has he heard of the subject engaged in any political or other activities in this area.

Mr. UNGER recalled that about five months ago he was approached by some individuals who were interested in using the facilities of this post for meetings sponsored by the Citizens Protective League. He remarked that he could not specifically recall the reason for his refusal to permit these individuals' use of the facilities, and he believed it must have been due to some information he had received that this organization had an unfavorable reputation.

HANS HELMUTH WESSELS, 301 East 38th Street, New York City, advised that he has had a wide acquaintance with German Americans in the New York area but that he does not know the subject nor does he recall ever having heard of the subject's name. Mr. WESSELS remarked that he is of the opinion that neither the subject or the Citizens Protective League could possibly have any influence or worthwhile following among the German Americans in this area for if such were the case he would be aware of this fact.

Confidential Informant T-5, of unknown reliability, advised that he does not know the subject personally but was acquainted with the subject's past activities. The informant described the subject as a person with "crackpot" ideas, the former leader of "fringe" groups and generally considered to be associated with and a stooge of the Nazi Bund during the last war.

The informant said that the last information he had of the subject and the Citizens Protective League being active in this area was in December 1945, at which time the subject was arrested in Queens County, New York, for riotous and unlawful assembly and was sentenced to six months in jail for this crime.

Confidential Informant T-6, another Governmental agency, advised that the subject was one of the speakers at the National Renaissance Party meeting held at the York Avenue Cafe, 501 East 84th Street, New York City, on May 8, 1951, and that on the occasion of this meeting the subject referred to President TRUMAN as a "bankrupt haberdasher," a "Pendergast gangster" and an "s.o.b." The informant stated that the latter reference to the President was repeated on three occasions by the subject.

It is to be noted that as recently as December 1950 articles signed by the subject over the name of the Citizens Protective League and the National Renaissance Party, 317 East 54th Street, New York 22, New York, appeared in the National Renaissance Bulletin published monthly at Beacon, New York, as the official organ of the National Renaissance Party.

A review of the biographical and newspaper files of the "New York Times," the "Herald Tribune" and the "New York Journal American," all of which are New York daily publications, failed to reflect any information relative to the subject subsequent to early 1948 pertinent to this investigation.

The following description of the subject was obtained from Immigration and Naturalization Service and other records:

Name:	Mrs KURT MERTIG
Birth:	September 5, 1886, Leipzig, Germany
Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Height:	5' 10"
Weight:	190
Hair:	Grey, balding
Eyes:	Brown
Build:	Husky
Complexion:	Ruddy
Occupation:	Salesman and writer
Marital Status:	Married
Relatives:	
Wife -	IDA MERTIG
Daughters -	PATRICIA MERTIG BEATRICE MERTIG
Citizenship:	Naturalized January 30, 1931, in Supreme Court, Bronx County, New York, Certificate No. 3427156, Declaration of Intention No. 62277 having been filed in that Supreme Court on December 28, 1923.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

INFORMANTS

T - 1 [redacted], New York City, who has requested that his identity be kept confidential.

T - 2 [redacted] New York City, who has requested that his identity be kept confidential.

T - 3 [redacted], New York City, who has received a confidential symbol to protect his identity. b7D

T - 4 [redacted], New York City, who has requested that his identity be kept confidential.

T - 5 [redacted], New York City, who has requested that his identity be kept confidential.

T - 6 Colonel CHARLES W. COWLES, General Staff Corps, Acting Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, New York City, who furnished information which was received by that agency from a confidential and reliable source to the New York Office.

ADMINISTRATIVE (continued)

LEADS

NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will interview FRED HEINKEN, 262 West 88th Street, for any information he may have concerning the subject and his connection with the National Renaissance Party.

Will interview GEORGE PETERS, 337 East 88th Street, who, according to Confidential Informant T-3, was formerly a friend of the subject and was acquainted with his activities in past years.

Will report the results of a mail cover placed on the subject and the Citizens Protective League, 317 East 54th Street.

Will continue to conduct necessary investigation to determine the present activities of the subject, specifically to determine if the subject is sending letters to parents whose sons have been killed in Korea.

REFERENCE

Bureau letter to New York, 6/14/51.

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December 27, 1951

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Mr. Sherman Flint
2206 Decatur Place, Northwest
Washington 8, D. C.

Dear Mr. Flint:

Thank you for sending me the post card enclosed in your envelope postmarked December 15, 1951.

I sincerely appreciate your courtesy and interest in making this material available to me.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE: Enclosed post card is a pard addressed to Mrs. Sherman Flint from Kurt Mertig, Citizen's Protective League, 317 East 54th Street, New York, New York, advising of matters of that organization. The Bureau has a closed file on Mertig and the Citizen's Protective League which reflects that Mertig is anti-administration and anti-Semitic.

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Sincerely,

KURT MERTIG,
CITIZEN'S PROTECTIVE LEAGUE
317 E. 54th St., New York, N. Y.

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Mr. Bart Richards
City Editor
The News
New Castle, Pennsylvania

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Dear Mr. Richards:

Your letter of December 12, 1951, with enclosure, has been received and I want to thank you for your interest in writing to me in this regard.

I have instructed a representative of our Pittsburgh office to call upon you within the immediate future to discuss the matter in which you are interested.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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CC - Pittsburgh, with copy of incoming.(2)
ATTENTION SAC: Enclosure with correspondent's letter was a post card addressed to correspondent's paper signed "Kurt Mertig, Citizen's Protective League, 317 E. 54th St., New York, N. Y," advising that meetings of this organization are being held in the assembly hall of the York Avenue Cafe, corner 84th St., and York Avenue, New York City, on the first Friday of every month.

Bufiles reflect Mertig was the subject of a closed case under the character "Security Matter - G; Denaturalization Proceedings - G; Registration Act; Sedition" in which the New York office was origin. The file mentions that Mertig is considered a perennial critic of any policy of the United States adversely affecting Germany. During 1941 and 1942 he was closely affiliated with one of the prominent leaders of the Nazi Party of the United States.

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FOLLOW-UP MADE 12-31-51

He has been described as a busy-body desirous of attracting attention; an extremist, particularly regarding German matters.

You are instructed to have an agent of your office immediately contact Mr. Richards, the City Editor of the New Castle News, and explain to him the fact that information contained in Bureau files is confidential and available for official use only. This agent should, however discreetly advise Mr. Richards that it is a matter of public record that the records of the court of Special Sessions, Queens, New York, reflect that Mertig and his associates were convicted on 1-10-46 upon a charge of unlawful assembly, and on 2-14-46 were sentenced to serve six months in the New York City Prison. The court records reflect that Mertig and his associates were arrested on October 6, 1945 in Middle Village, Queens, New York, where Mertig and his associates addressed a street corner rally and made anti-Semitic remarks, and inferred that the Jewish people in particular were responsible for World War II. The agent may also inform Mr. Richards that a newspaper article concerning Mertig and the "Citizen's Protective League" written by Howard Rushmore, appeared in the New York Journal American newspaper on 4-23-47, which reflects that Mertig was ordered to hold no more meetings in a hall at 160 3rd Avenue, New York City as a result of an expose of his "Germany first" activities.

Advise Bureau of the results of contact with Mr. Richards by letter entitled "Kurt Mertig, RESEARCH."

NOTE NOT TO FIELD:

Editorial ticklers reflect that Bureau has had very favorable relations with the New Castle News. Information concerning Mertig and the Citizen's Protective League is contained in Bufile 65-20553.

JACOB F. RENTZ
PRESIDENT

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December 12,1951

Mr. J.Edgar Hoover,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

I have no doubt but that your office is aware of the meetings described in the card which I am enclosing.

However it is my experience that nothing is ever lost by making sure and for that reason I am sending it on to you.

I know nothing of the men back of this "Citizen's Protective League" but this card neither sounds good nor smells good. The location of the New York meeting place is too close to the old Yorkville meetings of the Bund, to convince me that this movement is purely American.

If this group is another subsersive group operating under a high flown name I would like to know it. With intelligent information upon the group I will be in position to tell our people in this city and county what it is all about.

Normally, the News is a Republican newspaper but before that, it is American.

Respectfully yours,

Bart Richards

City Editor.

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Editor
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317 E. 54th St., New York, N. Y.

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: January 2, 1952

FROM : SAC, Pittsburgh (105-316)

SUBJECT: KURT MERTIG
RESEARCH

Reurlet to BART RICHARDS, City Editor, "The News," New Castle, Pa., dated December 17, 1951.

BART RICHARDS was contacted on December 29, 1951, relative to his mother and he advised that his only purpose in reporting receipt of the card from MERTIG was simply to inform the Bureau thereof. Mr. RICHARDS stated that he did not desire to publicize any information concerning MERTIG and was not trying to obtain delayed information concerning him but was simply acting as a "good citizen in reporting the matter to the Bureau."

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject continues to reside at 317 E. 54th St., NYC, and active in Citizens Protective League and also National Renaissance Party. GEORGE CONLEY, proprietor of the Yorkville Cafe, at 501 E. 84th St., NYC, and CI T-1 present at meetings in cafe sponsored by the NRP and were unable to furnish any information concerning the subject or his activities relative to basis of this investigation. CIs and others familiar with German-American activities in this area unable to furnish information concerning the subject's present activities or that he is the author of the letters of the type on which this investigation is based.

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DETAILS: At New York, New York

It was observed that the subject continues to reside at 317 East 54th Street, New York City, and according to the mail box plate in the vestibule of this building, he is still associated with the Citizens Protective League.

WILLIAM BRADY, Superintendent of these premises, advised that the subject is evidently active in the Citizens Protective League as he has had a number of

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people who visit this apartment inquiring about him as to the location in the building of this organization and also of subject's apartment.

Mr. BRADY was unable to furnish any information concerning the subject's activities other than the fact that the subject appeared to be active in this organization.

Mr. GEORGE PETERS, Treasurer of the Literary Society, 6 East 87th Street, New York City, advised he has been associated with this society since 1919 and that he was well acquainted with the subject who was active in the organization until 1935. Mr. PETERS stated that at that time MERTIG and the small following that he had had in the society, all of whom were sympathetic to Nazism, resigned from the society and founded an organization called the Society of Literature and Art which continued in existence until about 1941.

Mr. PETERS described MERTIG as an idealist who, after having been in Germany prior to World War II, returned to this country with some irrational ideas of saving the United States from the plight that nearly overtook Germany until the accession of HITLER in power of that country. He said that after this trip abroad MERTIG became extensively anti-Semitic.

Mr. PETERS stated that he has not seen MERTIG since about 1947 and was consequently unable to furnish any information concerning the subject's present activities. Mr. PETERS said he has heard nothing concerning MERTIG being engaged in activities which would indicate that he has been sending letters of the type on which this investigation is predicated.

Mr. GEORGE CONLEY, proprietor of the York Avenue Cafe, 501 East 84th Street, New York City, advised that he was present during two meetings held in the rear room of this cafe on March 7 and 21, 1952, which was sponsored.

by the National Renaissance Party which has for the past two months been holding bimonthly meetings in this room.

Mr. CONLEY stated that during the course of those meetings he found it necessary to be in and out of this rear room of the cafe and that on these occasions he observed that the subject and JAMES MADALE, who represented himself as President of this organization, were the principal speakers and remarked that generally the discussions during the course of the meetings were in the nature of criticism of the current political problems facing the United States and at times their remarks were interspersed with comments indicating that both of these individuals were anti-Semitic.

Mr. CONLEY advised that through his bar business he is well acquainted with a number of people in this neighborhood and he has not heard of anyone having received letters similar to those which the subject is reported to have sent to the parents of sons killed in Korea. Mr. CONLEY stated further that he has not heard of any derogatory information concerning the subject other than the fact that some of the customers consider MERTIG to be sort of a "crackpot" who glories in thinking of himself as a champion of the German-Americans in this area.

He stated that he learned that MERTIG is considered to be the New York Chairman of the National Renaissance Party and that the fee of $10.00 for the use of the rear room was on occasions paid by MERTIG and at other times was paid by JAMES MADALE, who represented himself as being the President of this organization.

Mr. CONLEY further stated that the National Renaissance Party held its last meeting on April 4, 1952, at this location after he had served notice on MERTIG that he was required to vacate the premises on or about April 15, 1952. He said that MERTIG at that time told him that he had arranged to hold future meetings of this organization at Mozart Hall on 86th Street between Second and Third Avenues, New York City.

According to the National Renaissance Bulletin, which is published monthly at Beacon, New York, and is the official organ of the National Renaissance Party, this Party is devoted to a restoration of the American Republic, the preservation of American sovereignty and the equal representation of management and labor.

Confidential Informant T-1, of unknown reliability, advised that on the evenings of March 21, 1952 and April 4, 1952, he was present at meetings sponsored by the National Renaissance Party at the York Avenue Cafe, 501 East 84th Street, New York City.

The informant stated that JAMES MEDALE, President of this organization, and the subject, the New York Chairman, were present on both of these occasions and were the principal speakers.

The informant stated that at the March 21, 1952, meeting, the topic of discussion was of a general political nature and specifically dealt with the topic of minority racial groups being behind Communism.

The informant said that at the April 4, 1952, meeting the topic of discussion was largely concerned with matters demanding lower taxes, lower cost of living and the restoration of Germany, Italy and Japan to their former status.

The informant said that on the occasion of both of these meetings there were no outspoken demonstrations made either by the speakers or those in attendance, numbering about twenty persons, indicating any radical feelings or display of any type of feelings inimical to the best interests of this country.

This informant further advised that he has at no time heard of the subject sending letters to parents of sons killed in Korea.

HELMUT VOLLMER, proprietor of Geiger Restaurant, 206 East 86th Street, New York City, advised that he has been acquainted with the subject for a period of about two years,

with the subject being an occasional customer in his restaurant.

Mr. VOLLMER stated that he had heard the subject was active in this section of New York City in German-American circles prior to World War II. He said he did not know the subject's activities at this time as he has not seen him in the restaurant for the past several months.

Mr. VOLLMER described the subject as being prone to be critical of the present administration's policies, particularly in reference to post-war Germany. He stated that this criticism by the subject of these policies appeared to be limited to that of a general nature, as the comments of the subject were actually repetitious of statements made in the public press in this area particularly those of the type criticism that such columnists as JOHN O'DONNELL of the "Daily News" and WESTBROOK PEGLER of the "Journal American" have written in their columns.

LESTER SCHNALL, Vice President of the P.S.M. Catering Corporation, who are the operators of the ballroom at the Yorkville Casino, 210 East 86th Street, New York City, advised that he is well acquainted with many of the German-American organizations in this area and that he does not recall having had any business relationship with the subject or any organizations with which the subject is connected.

Mr. SCHNALL remarked that he doubts that the subject and the organizations with which he is connected, could possibly be representative of the German-American element in this section of the city for if they were he, SCHNALL, believes that he would be aware of this.

LOUIS F. KLEIN, Commander of the American Legion, Lexington Post 108, 155 East 88th Street, New York City, advised that he does not know the subject nor has he heard of the subject engaging in any political activities in this area.

Mr. KLEIN stated that there has been no occasion when any members of the Post mentioned anything that would indicate the subject or anyone else in this area is sending letters to the parents of boys killed in Korea. He said he doubted that such letters were sent to anyone in this neighborhood for he believes that if they were, it would have been brought to the attention of some member of the Post.

Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, was recontacted and advised that although he has made a number of inquiries among his acquaintances, he is unable to learn if the subject or anyone else has been sending letters similar to the type on which this investigation is predicated.

The informant further stated that he feels that the subject definitely could not be of any influence among any of the German-Americans in the Yorkville section of New York City, for in his inquiries he was unable to find anyone that was acquainted with the subject or the Citizens Protective League.

HANS JAEGER, Restaurateur, 1253 Lexington Avenue, New York City, was recontacted and advised that although he has made numerous inquiries concerning the subject he has been unable to learn of anything concerning the subject's present activities.

Confidential Informant T-3, of known reliability, was recontacted and advised that he was unable to learn any information concerning the subject or the activities he might be engaged in at the present time and specifically, he was unable to develop any information concerning the subject or anyone else being engaged in sending letters of the type on which this investigation is predicated.

Confidential Informant T-4, of known reliability, advised that he has no information concerning the subject pertinent to this investigation.

In an effort to locate FRED HEINKEN, 262 West 88th Street, New York City, who is reported to possibly be in a position to furnish information regarding the subject and his connection with the National Renaissance Party, Mr. LOUIS ROSELIN, 260 West 88th Street, owner of these premises and also those at 262 West 88th Street, advised that his records, dating back to 1943, at which time he took possession of these premises, do not reflect HEINKEN as a tenant or roomer at this address nor does Mr. ROSELIN recall ever having heard this name before.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

INFORMANTS

T-1: Detective MANUEL FORMOSO, 19th Detective Precinct, 152 East 67th Street, New York City, who attended the meetings of the National Renaissance Party in the course of investigation conducted on an anonymous complaint.

T-2: [redacted] New York City, whose identity is being protected at his request. b7D

T-3: [redacted], New York City, who has been assigned a confidential symbol to protect his identity.

T-4: Superintendent of the Grand Central Station Branch of the United States Post Office, New York City.

LEADS

NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will report the results of mail cover on subject and the Citizens Protective League, 317 East 54th Street.

Will continue investigation to determine the activites of the subject, specifically, to determine if the subject is sending letters to parents whose sons have been killed in Korea.

ADMINISTRATIVE (Cont'd.)

LEADS (Cont'd.)

At New York, New York

Will then consider requesting Bureau authorization to interview the subject.

REFERENCE Report of SA JOHN A. BRODERICK, New York, 12/14/51.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (65-20553) DATE: AUG 25 1952

FROM : SAC, New York (100-16314)

SUBJECT: KURT MERTIG;
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There is enclosed herewith six copies of the report of SA JOHN A. BRODERICK, AUG 25 1952, at New York.

As reflected in referenced report, investigation failed to substantiate the allegation on which this investigation was predicated.

In view of this and as it is further reflected in the subject's file that he has in the past ridiculed this Bureau and has also indicated that he would not cooperate with the Bureau in the past, it is believed that an interview of the subject at this time would be unproductive and of no value to instant investigation. Therefore, it was not proposed to conduct any further investigation at this time and the case is being placed in a closed status.

It is to be noted that the Secret Service Division of the United States Treasury Department, 90 Church Street, New York City, expressed an interest in the subject relative to the alleged allegations the subject has made concerning the President of the United States.

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TITLE: KURT MERTIG			CHARACTER OF CASE: INTERNAL SECURITY - G

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Confidential Informants and other sources of information unable to learn of any information indicating that subject was author of letters on which this investigation is predicated. The subject is still active in the Citizens Protective League and also as New York City Chairman of the National Renaissance Party which latter organization has been critical of this government.

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DETAILS: At New York City

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised that he has been unable to learn of any information regarding the subject which would indicate that the subject is sending letters to any one in this area whose sons have been killed in Korea.

According to the informant, the subject is still active in the Citizens Protective League. The informant said, however, that since discontinuing the meetings of this organization at the York Avenue Cafe, 1594 York Avenue, New

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York City, in April 1952, the subject's public appearances have been limited to his activities as New York City Chairman of the National Renaissance Party. The informant stated that the National Renaissance Party has been holding weekly street meetings since May 2, 1952, on the southeast corner of 84th Street and York Avenue. The informant said that he has observed the subject present at most of the meetings of this organization. He said that the subject's participation in these meetings has been mostly limited to acting as "a bodyguard" to the speakers at the meetings in that he has assumed the duties of standing by the speaker and on occasions has held the American flag which is required to be displayed at these meetings.

The informant stated that JAMES MADOLE, the President of the National Renaissance Party, has been the principal speaker at the meetings that the informant has attended. He said that the general theme of the speeches by MADOLE and other speakers has been in the nature of a criticism of this government's involvement in the Korean War, the pro-Communism of the United Nations and Communistic infiltrations in labor unions and industries in the United States.

The informant advised that the meeting held on May 16, 1952, at which there were about fifty persons in attendance, MADOLE vehemently criticized the government asserting that President TRUMAN was a "Red Stooge" and that the alleged Korean War was not being given proper support due to the Red element in this government.

This informant is of the opinion from personal observations of these meetings that the National Renaissance Party does not have any real following or support. He stated that most of those persons in the audience consider the subject and MADOLE as being real "rabble rousers" and "troublemakers." He stated that the speakers are constantly being heckled and ridiculed during the course of the meetings and that on more than one occasion the meetings have turned into a farce.

Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, advised that he has not received any information regarding the subject that would indicate that the subject is the author of the letters on which this investigation is predicated. The informant stated, however, that the National Renaissance Party in which the subject is active as New York City Chairman has distributed "throwaways" or handbills relative to this country's participation in the Korean War. The informant made available a copy of one of these "throwaways" over the name of the National Renaissance Party of Beacon, New York, carrying the following caption:

"Calling All American Nationalists!

Help Drive The Red Traitors
Out of Yorkville!

If the Best of Our Men Must Die At The Front In Korea, Lets Wipe Out The Red Vermin At Home! While Red Butchers Were Burning Wounded American Boys Alive At Changjin Reservoir, Our Traitorous Politicians And The Racial Minority Bloc Which Controls Them Were Wining And Dining Red Chinese Officials At The Waldorf!"

Confidential Informant T-3, another government agency which conducts intelligence investigations, advised that the subject was one of the speakers at a meeting of the National Renaissance Party at the York Avenue Cafe, 1594 York Avenue, New York City, in April 1942. The informant stated that the subject started the meeting with his speech which in essence was the same old story that he keeps repeating at all of these meetings. According to the informant, the subject stated that "President TRUMAN has betrayed all of us for TRUMAN is a Jew stooge." The informant stated that the subject continued, saying "if this wasn't true, what was the United States doing in Korea." The informant stated that the subject was exceedingly dull in his speech, at times incoherent and that he rambles from one subject to another.

Confidential Informants T-4 and T-5, of known reliability, advised that they have made a number of inquiries regarding the subject and his present activities. These informants said that they were unable to learn of the subject or anyone else sending letters of the type on which this investigation is predicated.

HELMUT VOLLMER, proprietor of Geiger Restaurant, 206 East 86th Street, New York City, and HANS JAEGER, Restaurateur, 1253 Lexington Avenue, New York City, both of whom are active and well acquainted in matters in the Yorkville Section of this City in which section the subject has been conducting his activities, advised that they have made numerous inquiries from their friends and acquaintances and have found no one who has received or heard of the subject sending letters to the parents and sons who have been killed in Korea.

Confidential Informant T-6, of known reliability who was acquainted with activities in the neighborhood in which the subject resides at 317 East 54th Street, New York City, advised that he was unable to learn of any one who has received or heard of the subject sending letters similar to those on which this investigation is predicated.

Mrs. FRANK JOST, proprietor of the Mozart Bar and Restaurant and Meeting Hall, at 328 East 86th Street, advised sometime during the week of April 28, 1952, she leased one of her meeting hall rooms to the subject. Mrs. JOST stated on the occasion of the meeting that the subject was the principal speaker and that there were about ten to fifteen people in attendance. She said that she observed practically all of this meeting and recalled MERTIG being radical in his statements. She advised that she could not recall the exact nature of the speech that he made. She said that because of MERTIG'S radical expressions and the nondescript type of individuals that were present in the audience, she told MERTIG that she did not desire to allow him to continue holding meetings at these premises. Mrs. JOST remarked that MERTIG impressed her as being the troublemaker type of German who is inclined to like to hear himself talk.

Confidential Informant T-7, of known reliability, advised that he could not furnish any information regarding the subject pertinent to this investigation.

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T-2, Captain HENRY J. YACK, Commanding Officer of the 19th Detective Precinct, 152 East 67th St., New York City.		8/1/52 and 8/12/52	SA JOHN A. BRODERICK, orally.	Instant file
T-3, Lieutenant Colonel BYRON R. PATTON, Acting Deputy A.C. of S., G-2.		5/6/52	SA JOHN A. BRODERICK	100-16314-261
T-4, [redacted], New York City.		6/18/52	SA JOHN A. BRODERICK, orally.	Instant file

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T-6. [redacted] New York City.		7/14/52	SA JOHN A. BRODERICK	Instant file
T-7, Superintendent of the Grand Central Station Branch of the United States Post Office, New York City.			SA JOHN A. BRODERICK	Instant file

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: February 9, 1953

FROM : SAC, WFO (100-0)

SUBJECT: GOTHIC RIPPLES;
NATIONAL RENAISSANCE BULLETIN;
THE KISS OF DEATH
Security Matter - X

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On January 12, 1953, and January 16, 1953, LAWRENCE E. HERMAN, 3015 Porter Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., and GENE WHEELER, 3701 Connecticut Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C., who identified themselves as Counter-Picketers picketing the pickets sponsored by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG case, advised that an unidentified man had handed them literature. They furnished to SA ROBERT E. CAMPBELL instant literature stating that they felt it would be of interest to the FBI. They could furnish no further information as to this person's identity.

The pamphlets were of an anti-Negro and anti-Semitic nature and entitled as follows:

Gothic Ripples, by ARNOLD LEESE's Anti-Jewish Information Bureau, 20 Pewley Hill, Guildford, Surrey (England), and reprinted and distributed by the National Information Service, Post Office Box 412, Farmington, Michigan.

National Renaissance Bulletin, of the National Renaissance Party, 224 East Main Street, Beacon, New York, and signed by KURT MERTIG, Citizens' Protective League, National Renaissance Party.

The Kiss of Death, published by the Citizens Protective Association, address Box 156, St. Louis, Missouri.

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In connection with the latter publication, it is noted that glued to the back is a piece of paper with pencil printed anti-Negro statements. The writing was unsigned.

The files of the Washington Field Office reflected the following references concerning the above publication:

A letter from the Headquarters of the 3rd Service Command, United States Army, Office of the Director, Intelligence Division, Standard Oil Building, Barton, Maryland, dated July 1, 1943, listed KURT MERTIG, 317 East 54th Street, New York, as among the persons excluded from Defense Commands.

A Chicago letter to the Bureau dated November 27, 1939, captioned Subversive Activities-General, which contained lists relative to subversive organizations in the United States, listed one KURT MERTIG as a pro-Nazi Leader of New York Subversive Organizations as the Citizens Committee of the Five Hundred, the Christian Protective League, and Head of the German-American Republic League. In the same letter, the Citizens Protective League of 1253 Lexington Avenue is listed as an organization of Pro-Germans in the Yorkville Section of New York, headed by one KURT MERTIG and others.

A report of SA C. A. GANNON at New York City dated December 29, 1939, under the caption German Activities in the United States ([redacted], Informant) Subversive Activities, lists one KURT MERTIG as an alien and Nazi Party member who was alleged to have been the owner and author of a secret code used in newspaper advertising. This individual is also alleged to have been a friend of Captain BOYEDD and was prominently connected with LINDBERGH's case, in that he was of material assistance in helping to provide funds for HAUPTMANN's defense. The Washington Evening Star in an article on August 4, 1947, advised that in a speech by GERALD L. K. SMITH, the 1944 American First Candidate for President given at the Sylvan Theatre on the Washington Monument grounds, one KURT MERTIG was introduced as a man who has had the courage to defend the persecuted minority, the German Americans. b7D

Mrs. ROSE N. FERGUSON, 1301 Riggs Place, S.E., advised an agent of the Washington Field Office that she had been in receipt of correspondence from the National Renaissance Party which she thought might be a subversive organization. This correspondence was forwarded by Washington Field Office to New York in a letter dated April 20, 1951, captioned National Renaissance Party and JAMES H. MADOLE, and KURT MERTIG, Internal Security - X.

Enclosed are two copies of Gothic Ripples and one copy each of the National Renaissance Bulletin and the Kiss of Death which are being forwarded to the Bureau for information. No further action in this matter is being taken by this office.

A copy of Gothic Ripples is being enclosed for the information of the Detroit Office.

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win nor decently withdraw—and where we had no business to be in the first place. What the American fathers and mothers want to know is: "What is going to happen to our casualty lists, while we are waiting for the Reds to get "tired" in Korea?"—(That question will undoubtedly remain unanswered, until we have an all-around change on next year's Election Day!)

And, as if we already had not trouble enough abroad, little Harry Truman (and the secret wire pullers, the Standard Oil interests, the international financiers, the uniform-makers and war supply profiteers) has been itching to get his finger in the pie in the Iranian Oil dispute, even though every sensible American demands "Hands off." That would be what we still need: Another wrong war against another wrong people at another wrong time and in another wrong place!

SQUANDERING THE U. S. TAXPAYERS' MONEY

Truman does not do a thing to reduce the ever-mounting payroll of the six million civilian employes now working for the federal, state, county or city administrations in one form or other. Neither does he make the faintest attempt to reduce nonmilitary spending; and his promises and those of his boondoggling "price-administrators" are too stupid for words.

Truman's latest wisecrack to Congressional leaders has been: "If we let inflation run away, the Russians will have won the cold war without firing a shot." He also says that he intends to make an extended "whistle stop" tour in August or September (when Congress will have adjourned) to convince the American people of the wisdom displayed by him in the Korean war, in his China policy and in the North Atlantic Pact as well as of the soundness of his measures against inflation.

Therefore, this is the time for all American voters to decide on who can get us out of the threatened national bankruptcy and out of that modern Tower of Babel—the United Nations—which will plunge the world into another WAR with inretrievable chaos.

Let Congress toss out of the window the unauthorized Yalta and Potsdam "agreements" and declare a state of peace with Germany, Austria and Japan!

KURT MERTIG
Citizens' Protective League
National Renaissance Party
317 E. 54th St., New York 22, N.Y.

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NATIONAL RENAISSANCE BULLETIN

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Official organ of the National Renaissance Party devoted to a restoration of the American Republic, the preservation of American sovereignty and equal representation of management and labor.

CHINESE AMERICANS UNITE AGAINST REDS

Patriotic Americans owe a debt of gratitude to Mr. Woodrow Chan, president of the Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association who recently united the sixty Chinese Organizations in New York by forming the Anti-Communist Committee for a Free China. The unity of Chinese Americans is a vital necessity to heroic Generalissimo Chiang Kai Shek and their untiring efforts will be needed to defeat pro-Communist officials in the Truman regime who are determined to hand Formosa over to Red China.

Even now all major Jewish newspapers and radio commentators are demanding an investigation of the so-called China Lobby. Jewish political and economic pressure on the Truman Administration caused the dismissal of General Douglas MacArthur. The "New York Post" published by the Jewess, Dorothy Schiff, (whose grandfather contributed financially to the Russian Red Revolution in 1917). "The Daily Worker" edited by the Jew, Israel Ragenstrich, and the "New York Times" owned by the Jewish Sulzberger family, all bitterly criticized General MacArthur just before his dismissal. The "New York Post" printed a host of editorials demanding that Truman fire MacArthur just one week before it became a fact. Truman knows that the "New York Post," "Daily Worker," "Daily Compass" and "New York Times" represent the political opinion of the Jewish militant pressure groups centered in New York City, hence for the sake of political expediency he bows to their demands.

These four Jewish owned newspapers now demand an immediate investigation of the China Lobby and a host of patriotic Chinese American businessmen who have been fighting the Red Chinese Conquerors. Robert S. Allen writing in the June 17th issue of the "Post" accuses the Justice Department of laxity in investigating the business activities of Mssrs. Fang Yue and Chin Dook Jow of San Francisco. Allen claims that according to State Department files, Mr. David Kung, president of the East India Company of Manila is an important financial source of the Lobby for China. David Kung is the son of the venerable H. H. Kung of Riverdale, New York, who has given his entire life on behalf of freedom in his Chinese homeland. Allen goes on to say that the historical name of the East India Company is merely being used by the Kung family for purposes of their own.

Why should honorable Chinese Americans be forced to take insults from the scum of European ghettoes, whose allegiance is divided between Israel, Russia and the United States. Rather than investigate the patriotic Chinese Nationalists, why doesn't the Justice Department examine the horde of Jewish pressure groups raising funds with which to murder innocent Arabs in Palestine. Why should the Jews be given the privilege of selling Israeli bonds, to aid the collectivist, pro-Red Jewish conquerors of Palestine in their campaign of open aggression against the peaceful citizens of the Arab States. No other nation is allowed the privilege of selling bonds on the streets of our major cities. Perhaps that is because no other group wields the power of the organized Jews in American politics.

Communism was brought into China in 1924 by two Russian Jews, Michael Borodin (Grusenberg) and Marshal Galens (Cheshin). These two Jews brought with them a mission of 100 Russian military advisors who remained in China until 1927 sowing the seeds of Communist philosophy which eventually produced the Red tidal wave which inundated continental China. Without the influence of Jewish pressure groups in America, which resulted in the betrayal of Chiang Kai Shek by the Red puppets in the Truman government, American boys would not be dying in Korea today.

James H. Madole

PENDERGAST'S OFFICE BOY IN THE WHITE HOUSE

On every possible occasion—whether opportune or inopportune the American people have for the past nineteen years been told by the White House tenants that this country finds itself in one of the greatest crises it has ever faced—which has been the bunk!

During the past twelve years the clarion call has been sounded again and again for all Americans to unite—first behind Roosevelt and now behind Truman—to win peace for the "free people" and the "peace-loving democracies" of the world. (Russia was included in this category during and after World War II)—which has been worse bunk!

Even while Dean Acheson delivered his swan song (with tongue in cheek) before the Joint Senate Committee inquiring into the disgraceful removal of Gen. MacArthur, Truman has had the colossal nerve to ask Congress to "quit bickering" and join the campaign for "national unity" presumably under the Truman-Marshall-Acheson banner—which is too naive for words!

Truman has blown hot and cold during the last two months, when a veritable flood of protests by American fathers and mothers has come in to the White House, the Senate and the House of Representatives—damning Truman's private war in Korea, his "give-away" program to unappreciative foreigners, his ever increasing payroll army, his ostrich-policy toward inflation and rising prices, his covering up communists and crooks in his administration—but right now Truman looks again like the cock-of-the-walk who is going to show everybody where he gets off; and "who is the big shot around here?" His great trouble—and this country's too—comes from his temper; which goes off like a firecracker on the fourth of July!

It might therefore be well to now take stock of the economic and political outlook; since the next twelve months may really prove to be this country's most crucial period in a generation—a period during which some political action may have to be taken in the way of deciding whether the next President can provide the leadership which has been so sorely lacking during the last six years.

WHAT A MESS!

The Truman administration no longer commands a shred of confidence among the American people. The British are similarly governed by a weak and discordant labor government, with only the warmongering opportuntist and Tory-leader, Winston Churchill, as visible alternative. No reliance whatever can be placed on France which is its typical confused itself!

Gen. Eisenhower made on D-day (plus seven years) the ridiculously bombastic statement that "the soil of France is sacred to all the freedom-loving—and that the world will immediately rally again to its defense, if France is threatened."

But what our political puppet-general seems totally unaware of is that in the Kremlin there is entrenched disciplined leadership—with arms, secret police, and determination to enforce its ruthless schemes—and that (compared to the Soviet and its satelite armaments and divisions just beyond the river Elbe, in the center of Germany) **the present allied defense in Western Europe is as thin as an egg shell—with the Germans living in that hollow egg!**

The foreign plenipotentiaries of the United States, Britain and France (THE BIG THREE, as they fondly have been referring to themselves—in their alleged capacity as "leaders of the free nations") have been wallowing helplessly for six years in the trough of the agitated waves of world intrigue; what a difference compared with Woodrow Wilson's "open covenants openly arrived at"!

It is a sad spectacle indeed to see Germany, Austria and Japan—the only bulwarks against Russian Communism—destroyed by secret wire-pullers behind the scenes in Washington and London and whose bitter jealousy has been aroused by the contrast between MacArthur's success on the islands of Japan and the Roosevelt-Morgenthau-Eisenhower mess of things on the continent of Europe. Not alone have the Truman-Acheson-Marshall-Frankfurter-Baruch-Lehman planners prevented even the discussing of the preliminaries of a fair and just peace treaty with Germany—but by reason of their insatiable desire for revenge—they even insist still on continuous sabotage of the slightest sign of recovery in Germany and by taking away for export Germany's coal, paralyze that country's remaining industry and freeze again Germany's population during the coming winter!

ONWARD CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS — VE VILL MAKE THE UNIFORMS!

Since a year, almost the complete American fighting force has been bottled up in an out-of-the-way country, where we can neither definitely

WHITES mix with BLACKS 4 percent in U.S., each generation.

CIVIL WAR RECORDS show WHITE Regiments had 5 times the Battle Deaths of BLACK.

No Similar records since, they do NOT want you to know how many Black Battle Deaths - the war was too rife with BLACKS malingers and STEALS

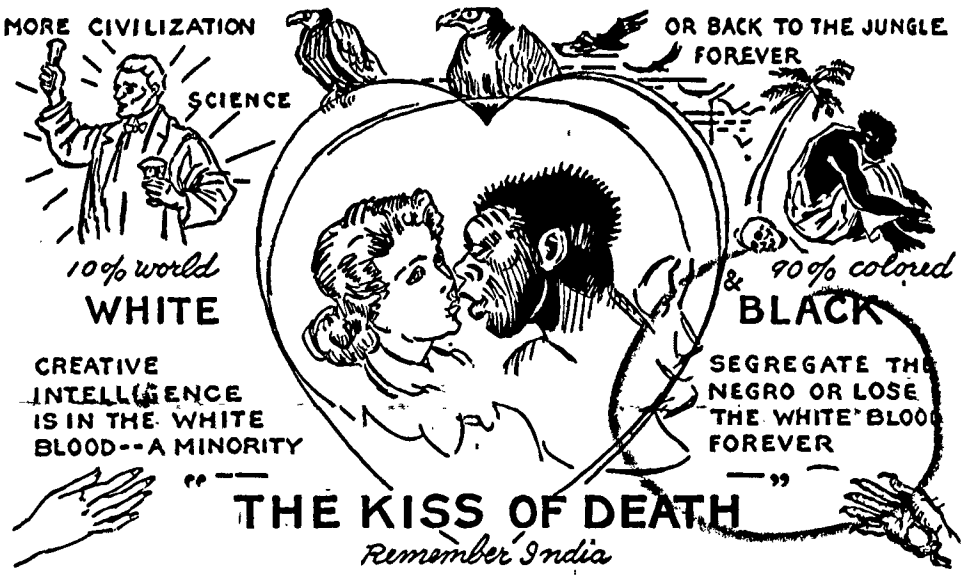
CIVIL RIGHTS DEMAND Blacks STOP taking 4 to 12 times their share in PRISON, POOR-HOUSE and VENEREAL wards - and PAY their share of TAXES!!!

BLACK LEADERS - "Father" DEVINE, ROBSON and SON, BUNCHE (U.NAT'S), WHITE (SECY Black Rot'ty) ALL have WHITE WIVES

we "mean white" will have African JUNGLE TRICKS. Are you a TRAITOR to WHITES?

TRAITOR to "WHITES" = HELP

Most school children in wash. are BLACK!!



The American mind is weakening. It is not as sound as 20 years ago. Selfishness, greed and easy living are doing the job.

We look frantically around for Russian spies, believing that Russia will attack us with armies. To us everything is material. In the meantime Russia is laughing. She has a more deadly weapon than the atomic bomb. She knows our strength is in our white stock and that when she has mixed our blood with Negro that we are licked forever.

While Russia makes laws to protect her own race she continues to proud us to accept 14,000,000 Negroes as social equals and we are doing everything possible to please her.

Radio announcers beg us to do this for strength and unity . . . Is India strong and united? She once had a white race. Every American who by word or deed helps Russia further this plan of race destruction is a traitor to kind and country.

Negro blood destroyed the civilizations of Egypt, India, Phoenicia, Carthage, Greece and Rome. The Russians regard every Negro in our midst as a weapon more deadly than the atomic bomb.

Segregation is a law of God, not man, and is observed thru the whole animal kingdom. It is the cornerstone of all civilization. It protects all life on our planet. It made America great. Break it down and you break down our society. Nature it was who gave the white man the brains to make the machine. If she had wanted the Negro and Asiatic to enjoy this machine civilization as an equal she would have given him the intelligence to create the machine. Her method of control among animals is to curtail the intellect.

The Asiatic and Negro are living on lend-lease civilization. Without the white support these people take their rightful place and are no longer a menace. Continue to rob the white race in order to bribe the Asiatic and Negro and these people will overwhelm the white race and destroy all progress, religion, invention, art, and return us to the jungle. Preserve the white stock and you preserve the Christian way and the good life. Does a rose garden scatter weed seeds in its bed because God made weed seeds? Maybe God wanted to see if we had sense enough to know what to do under the circumstances. Pressure creates mind. Nature's ways are not easy ways. Only the weak and decadent must have an easy solution. The solution of complete disappearance.

We should begin by getting our minds back. Tell the Russians we are white and intend to stay white and protect our civilization and country. Tell the Russians what the Negro is and that he is death to everything including Communism.

At present we are so afraid of Communism that we are refusing to build homes for our white people while Negroes are multiplying by leaps and bounds. We are persecuting our white stock for trying to protect and preserve its white blood. We are accepting the only deadly thing about Communism, the Negro, in order to fight Communism.

Our first move should be to quit sending American treasure to Asia or Africa or any colored race. Help all white people anywhere including the Germans who are our own kind. Invite the Russians to help preserve the white blood which is a minority stock. If we would do this we would recover our sanity and lose our fear, and Russia would respect us as she does not wish to be classed as colored any more than we do.

We still have time to save ourselves from Russian propaganda and the fate of India. Remember Christianity would not live 50 years among Negroes and Chinese. Remember civilization would not survive if the white man is destroyed. Remember the white stock is the minority race and that the colored people far outnumber and out breed the white man. Remember, mixing white children with Negroes is a form of insanity. It takes the form of religion, democracy, brotherhood, etc. It is a pollution complex directed from Moscow. Remember discrimination is not a sin—. It is a sign of Mind or God working thru man to protect what is good. A discriminating person is an intelligent person. Remember the white man is making his last stand and that he has been overwhelmed by trash more than once and it is what you do and say as an individual that many determine his future forever, for even God cannot turn a Negro into a white man again for God follows inevitable laws of kind making kind. In the meantime our courts, churches, newspapers, and radios are helping Russia in her deadly work of destroying America—or anything that is worth saving in America.

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Another Scots Barony has just gone to the Jews. The new (3rd) Lord Hamilton of Dalzell is the son of a Ricardo mother, and he married in 1935 the granddaughter of the Jew (1st) Viscount Burnham.

JEWISH SADISM

Von Papen writes in *The People*, 22nd June: "What I found difficult to face were some of the prison rules devised by Col. Andrus, our American captor. He had instituted a system by which our resistance was gradually lowered through sleepless nights. For all the time a blinding light shone on our faces."

But this Colonel Burton C. Andrus was a Jew, not an "American".

FROM AMERICA

A Bill has been introduced into the House of Representatives which would, if passed into law, deny anti-Jewish literature the right to be distributed through the mail, with penalties of fine and imprisonment.

Mr. J. Beauharnais was recently fined 200 dollars for advocating the segregation of Negroes and Jews in Chicago. Both there and in Hampstead, London, Negroes are rapidly invading and buying up house property.

"Scientist X" who from 1943 onward passed vital atomic information to the Soviet agent "Steve Nelson" (the Jew Mesarosh) is now known to be the Jew Joseph W. Weinberg. A warrant for the arrest of Weinberg on an indictment of perjury of a similar nature to that for which the tratior Alger Hiss is now in prison has been issued; at the time of writing, however, his exact whereabouts was not known!

The Senate Security sub-committee is anxious to see the uncensored private diaries of the late Jas. Forrestal which are expected to reveal whether or no the Institute for Pacific Relations has influenced American foreign policy in the Far East. President Truman has so far declined to allow the papers to be surrendered.

PUBLICATIONS

Senator Jack B. Tenney of California has for years been Chairman of the Committee for Investigation of un-American Activities. He has now published a book, *The Tenney Committee*, completely exposing the Jewish Anti-Defamation League. It costs 1 dollar from Gerald L. K. Smith, P.O. Box D.4, St. Louis, 1, Mich., U.S.A.

Miss Marilyn R. Allen, P.O. Box 2243, Salt Lake City, Utah, turns out a stream of useful anti-Jewish pamphlets of interest chiefly to Americans, who should apply to her for them.

In a type-script publication (price not known), Mrs. Elizabeth Dilling thoroughly debunks General MacArthur. Apply direct to her for *The Man on a White Horse in 1952*; address Box 659, Chicago 90. As we reported in GOTHIC RIPPLES No. 80, p.3, he publicly condemned what he calls "anti-semitism", and he is a 33rd degree Freemason (G.R. No. 40, p.2; and 75, p.2); we cannot understand some of the anti-Jewish groups in U.S.A. who seem almost hysterically "pro" him, and we suppose it is just desperation; but people should not lose their heads like that!

Behind Communism is a well-produced booklet by Mr. Frank L. Britton, P.O. Box 15745 Crenshaw Station, Los Angeles, 8. It is illustrated, has 97 pages and costs 1 dollar. It deals with the invasion of Europe and of America by the Jews, with emphasis on the Jewishness of Bolshevism, and the preponderance of Jews among Soviet spies and in the film industry. British purchasers will find the price (seven shillings) rather high. (To this, add postage 2d.) This is because the cost of living in U.S. is about 120 per cent. higher than it is here. The Editor undertakes to get copies from America for cash orders; delay in delivery about one month.

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NO GOTHIC WAVE IN SIGHT YET

This is the 90th issue of GOTHIC RIPPLES which has appeared at intervals generally of three or four weeks since the date of No. 1, 22nd June, 1945, except that when the Editor was in prison for eight months in 1947, there was, of course, a temporary lull! The hope that we once had, that by the time No. 100 is due, we might be justified in changing the name of our little paper to THE GOTHIC WAVE, is not likely to be realised. We hold our own in these difficult times, but the Jew-wise public is yet only a small section of the community among English-speaking peoples. We think that the general awakening, when it comes, may be rather sudden; and then the great danger will be that leadership may be snatched from the grasp of the really Jew-wise by someone with insufficient experience but plenty of self-confidence which may cause him to lead his people slap into some Jewish trap; or someone who cannot overcome a natural veering towards "respectability" by taking weak measures instead of drastic ones. The only enemy we really fear is Respectability. By "Respectability" we mean disclaiming racial objection to Jews and having "many charming Jewish friends".

NO USE PRETENDING

The state of affairs that has recently been revealed by events at Koje Island, Korea, brings us sharply up against the question of the real quality of the American Army, in which we, as Allies, are so vitally interested. Such a state of tumble-home rottenness and *laissez faire* simply could not happen in the British Army. It occurred under the command of General Ridgway, now Supreme Commander of N.A.T. forces in Europe; what *else*, we may reasonably ask, is going to be allowed to fall to pieces in far more vital units than prisoners-of-war camps?

The best Americans are equal to the best anywhere; but what proportion do these "best" find themselves now, either in the Army or outside it? They know just as well as we do, that America has been a racial melting-pot for a much longer period than Britain, or even of France. "All is Race; there is no other Truth" (Disraeli, in *Tancred*, Book I, Chap. 14). The Koje Island affair is conclusive evidence that Nordic standards cannot be maintained, even under "discipline", if the racial personnel of the Army is not sound enough; what cracks, indeed, is the discipline itself. We know quite well that at some future date, unless race is recognised as the basis of politics, even our British Army would deteriorate like that; *but it hasn't happened yet;* let us therefore keep our defensive land forces on this side of the Channel, for if we indulge in further continental adventures, we shall be let down as badly by our Allies as we were just before Dunkirk. If Germany is allowed to get an Army, the case will alter, as she could be a worthy ally. The present position of Britain's defences is ghastly; it is all due to the original 1939 mistake, and the only way to correct it is to reverse the 1939 Jewish policy and throw in our lot with a revived Nazi Germany. Our enemies shout for Internationalism, meaning Anti-Nationalism; we recommend International Race Alliances against the Jew and his Bolshevism.

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NIGGER BUSINESS

The Jewish Money-Power works overtime on propaganda among the whites for the recognition of coloured races as our "equals" and for the acceptance of them as normal citizens of this country. The propaganda meets with little opposition, since all the chief media for influencing what is called "public opinion" are in Jewish control.

In Australia, this sort of propaganda receives no encouragement; the proximity of the big island to Asia has always stimulated a healthy race-consciousness among Australians, and all parties agree to keep Australia white.

It has always seemed queer to us how easily Jewish propaganda for race-mixture goes down among the people of Britain, for there must be few families here which have not had members who have travelled about the world and have seen for themselves how incapable the coloured people are of progress under their own steam. The Nigger needs us, but we don't need him over here; keep Britain white!

In South Africa, the United Party, led by the Jews of the Torch Commando, is taking the nigger side against the Nationalists; no one need be surprised if all this Commando marching is taken by the Nationalists as a threat of force on a vital issue. Dr. Malan clearly made terms with the Jews on his advent to nominal power; now, surely, he must see that the way to deal with Jews (as with all other Asiatics) is to tell them "where they get off"; and we have anxiously awaited some sign that he will do so. In the *Times*, 19th June, he is reported to have ended a message stressing the vital nature of the differences between the United Party and the Nationalists with the words "My last word is a warning—Beware of Judas's kiss". *That* is something; but we could wish that this had been his *first* word on coming into power, for he has done little to educate his public on the Jew Menace and his silence has done him no good. We can now hope that he will be forced into a greater display of resolution on this matter, which we feel sure would result in the transfer of much voting strength from the Jewish United Party to the Nationalists.

BANKRUPT ISRAEL RESORTS TO FRAUD

The sham State of Israel, born in robbery and deceit, and only maintained as in an Iron Lung by contributions from World Jewry, has now partially repudiated its own currency. Bank Notes of values from £5 upwards have now to be exchanged for other notes of only 90 per cent. of their value, the odd 10 per cent. representing a forced loan to the State (at 4 per cent. interest); and "the State" is not credit-worthy. In addition to that, 10 per cent. of all bank accounts over £50 are confiscated for this precious "loan"; and a ten per cent. property tax is also threatened. The Jewish State has found itself!

THE CREEPERS

From time to time when announcing the appointment of Lord Mayors in the City of London, we have in GOTHIC RIPPLES stressed the fact that Masonic membership is an essential qualification for the post. Now, straight from the Ass's mouth, comes the following confirmation of this strangely undemocratic condition; Alderman Rupert de la Bere "is strongly tipped in City Corporation circles as the next Lord Mayor, and, known to be a member of the Craft, *will thus perpetuate the Masonic tradition at the Mansion House*". (*Freemasons' Chronicle*, 7th June, 1952, p.179.)

The Minister of Defence, Viscount Alexander of Tunis, who has just returned from a world tour of duty, is, it should be remembered, a 33rd degree Freemason. No man in a position like this should be a Mason. Is his optimism about Korea real or Masonic?

CANDIDATE FOR THE JEWS

We quote *The California Jewish Voice*, 9th July, 1948, p.4: "What people have so many organisations as the Jews? No people have so many Presidents. If a Jew couldn't get to be president of some organisation, it must be because like Eisenhower, he preferred to be a 'melamed' (teacher) to President".

The Jews evidently considered in 1948 that Eisenhower was either a Jew or a willing servant for the Jews.

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The National Renaissance Bulletin, April 1952, official organ of an organisation the political aims of which are definitely those of Racial Fascism, says of the General: "He permitted the legalised murder of Germany's top military and political leaders during the infamous War Crimes Trials in Nuremberg. He allowed Negro savages to herd young German girls into a railroad tunnel and conduct a three-day orgy of rape in Stuttgart. His actions won him the Russian Medal of Honor, pinned on his chest by Joe Stalin personally."

The National Renaissance Party is addressed 224, E. Main Street, Beacon, N. York; it holds outdoor meetings in New York, and the subscription for its Bulletin is 2 dollars (14/-) for 12 issues. We are trying to get some at a price more suited to British ideas for a four-page sheet.

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A possible good result from the Taft-Eisenhower rivalry is that the Mug-in-the-street may become impressed with the fact that the United Nations humbug has landed us into Perpetual War in Korea without any military objective and with no hope of winning except by the use of a weapon which we dare not employ for fear of retaliation. Then he may ask "Who done it?"

THE ANNIHILATION OF THE WHITES

The following is a part of a speech alleged to have been made at a rabbinical conference in Budapest in January 1952. We publish it, not because we can vouch for its authenticity as a speech, but because it seems to us accurately to sum up the racial policy of the Jews as recognised by us over many years:—

"Within five years, this programme will achieve its objective, the Third World War, which will surpass in destruction all previous contests. Israel, of course, will remain neutral, and when both sides are devastated and exhausted, we will arbitrate, sending our Control Commissions into all the wrecked countries. This war will end for all time our struggle against the Gentiles. We will openly reveal our identity with the races of Asia and Africa. I can state with assurance that the last generation of white children is now being born. Our Control Commissions will, in the interests of peace, forbid the whites to mate with whites. The white women must cohabit with members of the dark races, the white men with black women. Thus, the white race will disappear, for mixing the dark with the white means the end of the white, and our most dangerous enemy will become only a memory. We shall embark upon an era of 10,000 years of peace and plenty, and our race will rule undisputed over the earth. Our superior intelligence will easily enable us to retain mastery over a world of coloured peoples."

Britain took a fresh step towards this goal at the end of May, when she guaranteed to send troops on to the Continent if any of the countries of the "European Army" were attacked. Britain's only change of salvation is to retain her land-forces behind the English Channel, as we pointed out in GOTHIC RIPPLES, No. 69, p.1; and 79 p.1.

The chief propaganda work which is being done to further the bastardisation of the white races is being carried on by Unesco, staffed chiefly by Jews (see GOTHIC RIPPLES, No. 67, p.2; 75, p1; 84, p.2).

JEWS IN THE NEWS

The Jew Victor Sandelson is Editor of the Cambridge University magazine *Granta*. The Jew M. L. Hydleman is appointed Secretary to the Cambridge Union Society.

The wife of Jacques Duclos, who was arrested during the Communist riot in Paris, 28th May, is a Jewess. He will be all right; the National Sureté chief is also a Jew, R. Hirsch.

The Jew L. N. Ross is elected President of the Chamber of Commerce, at Auckland, New Zealand.

The Jew J. D. Wolfsohn has become Assistant to the Secretary of the Interior, U.S.A. He has recently been Assistant Commissioner of the General Land Office, Washington, and was responsible for managing the vast public lands of the U.S.A.; that included leasing, sale, homesteading, etc., and exploiting the mineral resources for 500 million acres.

The new (3rd) Gentile Lord Carnock is married to a distantly Jewish Lopez.

Add to your list of Jewish Knights: Sir Arthur Elvin, Chairman of Wembley Stadium, Ltd.

Among the Birthday Honours are Knighthoods for the two Jews Bernhard H. Binder and Lewis B. Namier. There were few reasons to expect any change in policy with regard to the Jews to become apparent with the new Reign, and there isn't any. Namier's real name is Ludwig Bernstein.

The Jew Milton R. Konvitz has been commissioned to prepare a code of laws for the Nigger State of Liberia.

Among Government changes in Rumania, the Jewess Anna Pauker has been dismissed from the Politburo; this is just eye-wash for the Mug-in-the-street, as she is still lurking about in a less conspicuous post. The Jew A. Bunaciu, Deputy Foreign Minister, has also been removed; and the Jew Chisinevschi has been promoted to the Politburo.

The death of the Jew Garfinkle (better known as the film star John Garfield) recorded in the last issue of GOTHIC RIPPLES, obviously requires investigation. He had recently been examined by the Un-American Activities Committee and had since admitted that he had lied to them about his Communist affiliations; he then prepared a 30-page statement denouncing his past associations with Reds. But before its completion, he died suddenly in the flat of a lady friend.

The Chief Rabbi says that the population of Jews in Australia has nearly doubled since 1937. (*Jewish Chronicle*, 20th June.)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Heidelberg, Germany

VIA ARMY COURIER

Date: October 15, 1953

To: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

From: George A. VanNoy (100-0)

Subject: KURT MERTIG

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Attached are 2 copies of a 66th CIC Group report dated 9-17-53 together with 2 copies of the enclosure thereto, referring to correspondence directed by the subject, a USA resident, to an addressee in the German Democratic Republic (Soviet Zone of Germany, including the Soviet Sector of Berlin).

The attached material was made available by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, Headquarters, United States Army, Europe.

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Reference is made to the document containing the Statement of Grounds and Interrogatories which the Department contemplates sending to the captioned organizations in connection with the proposed designation of those organizations by the Department pursuant to the provisions of Executive Order 10450.

A copy of this document was furnished to a representative of the Bureau on July 23, 1953, by Mr. Harold Koffsky of the Criminal Division.

This letter will confirm information telephonically furnished to Mr. Koffsky by a representative of the Bureau on July 24, 1953.

The Statement of Grounds and Interrogatories regarding the captioned organizations has been reviewed and it is believed that the information contained therein will not compromise any Bureau informant.

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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-16314)

SUBJECT: KURT MERTIG
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Enclosed herewith are five copies of report of SA EDWARD A. BRANDT, dated and captioned as above.

Investigation of the subject has indicated that at present he is in very poor health and is of advanced age. MERTIG has taken no active part in the affairs of the NRP recently because of these factors. It is felt that MERTIG excercises no control over the NRP and that his title of Vice President of this group is meaningless.

Therefore, UACB, this investigation is being closed an no further investigation will be conducted regarding MERTIG unless additional information is forthcoming indicating that he is again active in the affairs of the NRP.

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Synopsis:

KURT MERTIG listed as Vice President on bank account of NRP, an anti-Negro, anti-Semitic, neo-Fascist organization in NYC. MERTIG currently resides at Apartment 8, 508 Second Avenue, NYC, and is apparently unemployed. MERTIG has been ill for the past several years and appears to have no active participation in the NRP. MERTIG was arrested on 10/6/45 and served six months in jail for unlawful assembly.

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DETAILS: This report is predicated upon information received from T-1, who is in a position to furnish reliable information, and who indicated on June 4, 1956 that [redacted]

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T-1 added on June 12, 1956, that [redacted]

The above information furnished by T-1 should not be made public except after the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum.

T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, indicated on May 9, 1956, that the National Renaissance Party (NRP) at present is a neo-Nazi, anti-Semitic, anti-Negro organization with activities generally confined to the New York area. He said that its principal activities consist of holding outdoor meetings and the distribution of literature throughout the United States and abroad where it is reprinted by similar organizations. He stated the NRP leader and founder is JAMES H. MADOLE and its principal financial contributor is FREDERICK WEISS. He said that at present the party membership is very small. The April, 1955, "National Renaissance Bulletin," the official NRP publication, listed headquarters at 10 West 90th Street, New York City.

The NRP was the subject of a preliminary report on neo-Fascist and hate groups prepared by the House Committee on Un-American Activities on December 17, 1954,

which stated that this neo-Fascist group's activities and propaganda are clearly subversive.

T-2 indicated on July 15, 1953 that KURT MERTIG is a pro-German radical who has been active in German organizations for the past fifteen years. He said that MERTIG had been active in the NRP several years ago, but that illness had forced him to cease his activities. He stated that in July, 1953, MERTIG had again appeared at NRP meetings and was a speaker at one street meeting on July 10, 1953. He added that MERTIG had been sent to Rikers Island, New York, for six months on February 28, 1946, after conviction for inciting to riot and unlawful assembly in connection with his pro-German, anti-Semitic activities.

T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on June 27, 1950, that MERTIG was the founder of the Citizens Protective League which grew out of the Committee of the Five Hundred, which was established to raise funds for BRUNO HAUPTMANN, convicted defendant in the Lindbergh kidnapping case.

T-2 indicated on September 14, 1953, that MERTIG, who is an old time fascist and who has been in many German national organizations in New York City, has recently made speeches at the meetings of the NRP. T-2 stated that MERTIG appears to be lending some support to the NRP, although he is not consistent in his actions.

T-2 stated on May 17, 1954, that MERTIG had been active for many years in Fascist organizations in New York City and recently has lent some support to the NRP. He indicated that MERTIG is not considered a strong member of the party and his interest in the affairs of the party is frequently changing.

T-2 added that MERTIG has been a speaker at some NRP meetings in the past and is being considered by JAMES MADOLE as a principal speaker at future outdoor meetings.

T-2 noted on January 11, 1955, that MERTIG was one of several individuals who usually attend the NRP meetings which are held every Thursday night at MADOLE'S apartment and that these individuals make small contributions to the party. He added that MERTIG, who usually takes an active interest in the NRP, has been confined to Bellevue Hospital with an illness in recent weeks.

T-4, who has furnished reliable information in the past, indicated on December 15, 1953, that MERTIG was a former member of the NRP who has completely broken with this organization because [redacted], an NRP leader, allegedly broke into MERTIG'S apartment for some unknown reason. b6 b7C

T-2 indicated on June 6, 1955, that MADOLE recently wrote a letter to [redacted] in Chicago, Illinois, in which he stated that the NRP'S Overseas Bureau is under the supervision of KURT MERTIG and that [redacted] and LARRY SESTITO are no longer connected with this operation.

T-2 indicated on August 10, 1955, that MERTIG was one of several members of the NRP who distributed party literature at Broadway and 48th Street, New York City, on August 1, 1955.

T-2 indicated on August 15, 1956, that MERTIG has not been at any recent meetings of the NRP and appears to be taking no active part in any political organization at this time. He stated that MADOLE has listed MERTIG as an officer of the NRP for several years, but that this is a title in name only and MERTIG never has had any actual control over activities of the NRP.

T-2 added that MERTIG originally had given to MADOLE an old mailing list of names which MERTIG had accumulated through the years and that MADOLE had used this list for soliciting contributions for the NRP.

T-2 stated that MERTIG has suffered from various illnesses for the past several years and is in very poor health. He added that MERTIG is quite aged and approaching senility.

T-2 stated that Miss VON HEINRICK, who is an old time sweetheart of MERTIG and a trained nurse, is now living with him at 508 Second Avenue, New York City, and is apparently supporting him and caring for him.

The preliminary report on neo-Fascist and hate groups released by the House Committee on Un-American Activities on December 12, 1954, indicated that KURT MERTIG had become New York City chairman of the NRP and his office at 317 East 54th Street, New York City, had served as the NRP'S City Headquarters and indicated that from this office MERTIG had also operated as chairman of two of his own organizations, the Citizens Protective League and the German-American Republican League of Greater New York. These latter two groups have been cited by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

Mr. [redacted] 508 Second Avenue, New York City, indicated on June 13, 1956, that KURT MERTIG has resided at the above address in Apartment 8 for about two years. He indicated that MERTIG has been quite ill during most of this time and spent a great deal of time in the hospital recently. He said that at the present time a nurse from Boston has been living with him whose name is FELICITAS VON HEINRICK. Mr. [redacted] indicated that it does not appear that MERTIG is regularly employed and that he spends a great deal of his time in his room typing and allegedly writing articles. He stated that he has no information regarding any organizations in which MERTIG is currently active, but that there has been no difficulty with MERTIG as long as he has resided there.

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Detective [redacted], Bureau of Special

Services, New York City Police Department, indicated on August 6, 1956, that their records indicated that KURT MERTIG had been arrested on October 6, 1945 for disorderly conduct in connection with a Fascist meeting. He said this charge later was changed to unlawful assembly and MERTIG was found guilty and served six months in jail. [redacted] stated MERTIG presently resides at 508 Second Avenue, New York City, and has been in ill health for several years. He said that MERTIG formerly had been associated with the activities of the NRP, but because of illness and advanced age he is no longer active in this organization.

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T-1 [redacted]				b6 b7C b7D
(by request)	Re NRP account.	6/4/56	SA [redacted] [redacted]	105-6112-456
	Re subject.	6/12/56	SA [redacted] [redacted]	105-6112-456
T-2 [redacted]	USED TO DOCUMENT THE NRP.			
	Re subject.	7/15/53	[redacted]	105-6112-68
	Re subject.	9/14/53	[redacted]	105-6112-89
	Re subject.	5/17/54	[redacted]	105-6112-165
	Re subject.	1/11/55	[redacted]	105-6112-224
	Re subject.	6/6/55	[redacted]	105-6112-306
	Re subject.	8/10/55	[redacted]	105-6112-340
	Re subject.	8/15/56	[redacted]	Instant report

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T-3 [redacted], (by request)	Re subject.	6/27/50	SA JOHN A. BRODERICK	105-1174-15
T-4 [redacted] (by request)	Re subject.	12/15/53	SA BRYAN T. JINNETT	105-6112-99

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Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed and T symbols were utilized in the report only in those instances where the identities of the sources must be concealed.

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